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"I SHUDDER"

MR. ELDON POTTER'S EXCLAMATION

SMILES IN YEO TRIAL

Dr. Shellshear "Copies" Mr. Black's Signature

MR. JENKIN'S OBJECTION OVERRULED

"I shudder to think what you can do in a year's time," said Mr. Eldon Potter, K.C., to Dr. J. L. Shellshear, the expert witness on handwriting, this morning, on the eleventh day in the trial of Carvalho Yeo, on the indictment of forgery and uttering, at the November Criminal Session.

At the request of Mr. Potter, who had resumed his cross-examination begun overnight, Dr. Shellshear wrote the name "T. Black" for demonstration, but only to illustrate his evidence on pen pressure. Counsel observed, amidst smiles in all parts of the Court, that Dr. Shellshear had "quite unconsciously produced Mr. Black's signature".

Prior to this episode there was protracted argument between Mr. Potter and Mr. F. C. Jenkin, C.B.E. (counsel for the defence) on what was mentioned as the statistical aspect of the case. Mr. Jenkin's objection was overruled by the Puisse Judge (Mr. Justice Jacks).

MATHEMATICS FOR JURY

Before Mr. Potter continued his cross-examination of Dr. Shellshear, Mr. Jenkin (who is instructed by Mr. C. A. S. Russ for the defence) raised a point.

He informed his Lordship that he wished to know definitely whether the Crown intended to use the "reference to statistical methods." If so, the defence must, in the interests of justice, have every opportunity of calling expert statisticians to answer the prosecution.

Mr. Jenkin referred to a part of Mr. Potter's questions to the Hon. Mr. C. M. Messer, O.B.E. (Colonial Treasurer) in re-examination. Mr. Messer had been asked a question as a mathematical expert, said Mr. Jenkin. Did the Crown intend to put a statistical result to the jury as evidence, that the three cheques (forming the subject of the indictment) were forgeries.

"Ordinary Computation" It was a novel form of approaching the jury, Mr. Jenkin commented. The point had not been raised in Mr. Potter's opening "in any shape or form." It was an entirely new line, he said, and cannot be brought in. If it was upheld, the defence must ask for every opportunity to go into it fully.

Mr. Potter replied that his case was that out of 2,824 genuine cheques, the "B" in the signature of Mr. T. Black (Treasury Cashier) would not be found in a certain place, in which it was found in three "disputed" cheques.

It was not a question of statistical results nor one for mathematical experts. It was only a matter of calculation for any member of the jury, for Mr. Jenkin, or for himself—in fact, a matter of ordinary computation.

"Exact Science" Mr. Potter argued that he had not raised a new point. He had merely adopted a new way of presenting his case.

In reply to his Lordship, Mr. Potter agreed that the Crown was not going further with the point except on the facts proved.

On his Lordship pointing out to Mr. Jenkin that the Crown were not "going further," Mr. Jenkin argued that it was not a case of "going further," but whether "if at all" the Crown were putting the statistical result to the jury.

"I say it is a matter of exact science," he emphasised. "It must go out altogether, or the defence must be enabled to be ready to meet it."

The Probabilities His Lordship intimated that provided the Crown did not go into statistics to any depth, he was not prepared to give a ruling in favour of Mr. Jenkin. The Crown had "touched on the fringe" of the matter, he thought.

After a further protest by Mr. Jenkin, Mr. Potter said that the point had been raised to put to the jury that it is impossible to believe that these three challenged cheques—had genuine—had peculiarities not found in any of 2,824 cheques. The jury would be asked what were the probabilities and

he, Mr. Potter, was open to argue on the facts.

On his Lordship refusing to make a ruling, Mr. Jenkin asked that his protest be noted.

"I Don't Pretend" "I'm not trying to trap you; and I wouldn't pretend to be able to do so, Doctor; it would be absolutely a breach of my duty as counsel to attempt to do so," said Mr. Potter suddenly when Dr. Shellshear was replying to his questions this morning.

Mr. Potter was examining on "the three positions of pen pressure" in handwriting and he prefixed his first query by saying, with a smile: "Now I'm going to put a simple mathematical problem to you, Dr. Shellshear."

Counsel's suggestion was that there are three positions, that is, when the pen bears more heavily on the left, on the right, and in "neutral." Ignoring "shades" between the three (at Mr. Potter's request), Dr. Shellshear agreed.

Mr. Potter then asked witness to make an illustration, adding after a pause, a request that it be of Mr. Black's signature since it was Mr. Black's signature they were discussing.

Quite Unconsciously In a few moments, Dr. Shellshear handed over his illustration.

"We were talking of pen-pressure, and you quite unconsciously produced Mr. Black's signature," said Mr. Potter. "I shudder to think what you can do in a year's time."

His Lordship, the special jury and witness all joined Mr. Potter in the laughter.

Mr. Potter produced a bundle of cheques which he said he had selected at random last night. He asked Dr. Shellshear if it was not a fact that the downstroke of the "T" in Mr. Black's signature showed pressure on the right rather than on the left (as Dr. Shellshear had indicated, as being a common form in Mr. Black's signature, in the course of his evidence-in-chief).

Very Good Beginning Dr. Shellshear agreed. But he said, in the capital "B" and the "K" the pressure was on the left.

Mr. Potter asked if a man "gifted that way" could, after a certain interval, copy a signature and "make it as if it were his own."

Dr. Shellshear's reply was: "That, sir, I do not believe."

"You've made a very good beginning, retorted Mr. Potter pointing to the illustration witness had executed at his request.

"No, sir, that is full of faults," Dr. Shellshear replied.

"Oh, full of faults," Mr. Potter rejoined. "I didn't mean that it would pass muster at a Bank. But it shows what copying can do. You didn't even have a copy before you then?"

BRITISH AIR FORCE HIS MAJESTY'S MACHINES

NO MORE OF WOOD

IMPORTANT STATEMENT BY AIR MINISTER

METAL MORE SUITABLE

London, Yesterday. In the House of Commons, Sir Samuel Hoare, Air Minister, stated that no more Air Force machines will be constructed of wood, as metal is the more workable and more economical material.—Reuter.

JUNK PIRATED

DASTARDLY AFFAIR NEAR HONG KONG

FISHERMEN ATTACKED

Off Sun-wen-kok, in the vicinity of Fun-lau village, in British waters, a junk piracy, accompanied with attempted murder, occurred on Saturday in broad daylight.

The raided junk was at anchor and her crew were fishing at about 8 a.m. when the pirates sailed up in a small boat. The aged owner of the junk put up a fierce struggle with the robbers, in the course of which he was shot and wounded in the right arm, and fell overboard. Luckily, he was a good swimmer and managed to reach another fishing boat some distance away.

He was taken to Tai-O in this craft and there reported the piracy to the police. He said that there were altogether six pirates, four of whom were armed with pistols, and placed the value of the booty at \$2,500, including money and clothing, fishing nets, tackle, etc.

Four members of the crew of the pirated junk are still missing, and are believed to have been taken away by the pirates together with the junk.

THE P. & O.

FURTHER DIVIDEND RECOMMENDED

London, Yesterday. The P. and O. directors recommended a five per cent. dividend in the preferred stock and 12 per cent. on the deferred—without tax—2½ and five, respectively, of which were paid last May.—Reuter.

prises—Messrs. A. H. Ferguson (foreman), John Arnold, J. M. Alves, J. M. da Rocha, W. G. Goggin, Ho Kom-tong, O.B.E. and J. P. Braga.

Carvalho Yeo, formerly employed at the Treasury as clerk, is charged with having forged and uttered three cheques, purporting to have been issued by the Treasury on the Hong Kong & Shanghai Banking Corporation.

Given sufficient data, said Dr. Shellshear earlier in cross-examination, he would say that any forgery is capable of detection by scientific means; and he would say that he could carry out such detection. The system he used he did not think could be called his own. He did claim, however, to be an expert on handwriting.

In reply to questions by Mr. Potter, Dr. Shellshear admitted that not so very long ago he disclaimed that he was an expert, and that the present was the first time he claimed qualifications.

He first started his examination in September. He had seen genuine cheques before dealing with the three in dispute. He worked on a bundle of 37 and no others at the time. Since then he had examined 8,695 cheques which were in Court. In many cases he did not examine with the microscope nor did he put down in writing all the features.

Forgers' Methods Methods used by forgers, said Dr. Shellshear, were: careful tracing, copying over glass with a light underneath, skilful engraving, copying by freehand direct.

The signature of Mr. Messer photographed had not been from a cheque. He chose it because it was clean cut and showed fine and quality.

Dr. Shellshear agreed with Mr. Potter that out of 2,824 cheques issued by the Treasury in October, November and December, 1927, there is not a single one in which the position of the "B" in the signature of Mr. Black is the same as in the three disputed cheques. To get a cheque with the "B" in the same position it was necessary to go back to June, 1927.

HIS MAJESTY'S HEALTH

"NEARER NORMAL"

ANXIETY AS TO HEART STILL PERSISTS

SLIGHT IMPROVEMENT

London, Yesterday. A slight improvement in His Majesty's condition was noted this morning. He has maintained a temperature nearer normal, but it is necessary to emphasise that anxiety concerning the heart still persists.

Anxiety Alleviated The authoritative statement issued at 10.30 yesterday evening that there was a slight improvement in the King's condition is indicated in the evening bulletin which states that it is being maintained at the moment. This has alleviated anxiety with regard to His Majesty's illness.

Signing of State Papers According to the newspapers, in view of the difficulties which have arisen with regard to the signing of State papers by the King during

TEST MATCH

England 161 for 3 Wickets

Brisbane, To-day. At the lunch hour, England had scored 161 for 3 wickets.—Reuter.

No details were given in the cable. In the morning, therefore, 58 runs were added to the overnight score. Either Mead or Hammond is out.

England were, therefore, 500 runs on with seven wickets to fall. For earlier details see page 9.

his illness, it has been decided to appoint a Commission to act for him.

The Commission will probably include the Lord Chancellor, the Archbishop of Canterbury, the Duke of York, and Mr. Baldwin or the Earl of Balfour.—Reuter.

Further Details A British official wireless message, from London, dated Dec. 3, 8 p.m., states:—

The publication of this morning's bulletin, recording a slight improvement in the King's condition, after the disquieting bulletins of yesterday, brought immense relief inside and outside the walls of Buckingham Palace to-day.

It is understood that a small quantity of oxygen was administered to the King as a tonic during the night. It was pointed out authoritatively at the Palace to-day that this was not to be regarded as an alarming feature. Administration of small quantities of oxygen in such cases, it was stated, was a very common practice.

Never since the King's illness began has there been such a large crowd outside the palace as to-day. This afternoon there were between 5,000 and 6,000 people present.

It is officially announced that the Prince of Wales, who will leave the cruiser "Enterprise" at Suez and cross Egypt by train will continue his journey homeward in the cruiser "Frobisher" which will convey him from Alexandria to Brindisi. Thence His Royal Highness will travel overland, most probably via Turin, Modane and Paris.

Earlier Telegrams

London, Yesterday. A bulletin issued at 10.30 a.m. states that the King had three hours' quiet sleep since the last bulletin was issued. His temperature is 99.8, and there is a slight improvement in the general condition.

The morning's bulletin is a great relief after the anxieties of the night. The doctors were only half an hour with the King before leaving the report, but Sir Stanley Hewett was in touch with the Palace throughout the night.

When the reassuring news was known there was an appreciable lessening of the atmosphere of strain prevailing in the Palace. The Queen, who was the first to receive the doctor's report, was greatly pleased with the improvement.

It should be recalled that on Friday the doctors then pointed out that the time of the possible exacerbation of infection had not then passed.

The Duke Broken HILL, N. R. Yesterday. The Duke of Gloucester received the news of His Majesty's illness

THE DESTRUCTION IN CHILE

LATER DETAILS

20,000 HOMELESS: HUNDREDS OF DEAD AND INJURED

FURTHER SHOCKS

Santiago, Yesterday. The deaths in the earthquake now number 218, while 257 are seriously and over 2,000 slightly injured.

20,000 persons are homeless. At Port Constitucion, which was badly damaged, the inhabitants are sleeping in tents.

Only ten per cent. of the houses at Tampa are habitable. Damaged buildings are being demolished to avoid danger of collapse.

Further intermittent shocks of lesser intensity were felt during the week and in the affected area.—Reuter's American Service.

Harrowing Scenes

The bodies were roughly wrapped in blankets and stacked against the walls, and the people were made to dig in the ruins to find relatives' bodies.

The spectacle is graphically described by a Telephone Company official who flew to Talca.

He had to "clamber over the debris of public buildings. Fine residences are blocking the streets and the cathedral at Linares, near Talca, has been severely damaged. The Bishop of Linares visited the falling houses and administered the last rites to the dying.

The damage at Talca is estimated at \$2,500,000.

A hospital was burned down; hundreds of the injured are being housed in tents and emergency shelters.—Reuter's American Service.

The Dead

Later. The total number of the dead in the various devastated areas is now given as 200.—Reuter's American Service.

TRAFFIC CASES

MOTOR CAR DRIVERS FINED TO-DAY

ON WRONG SIDE

The Chinese driver of public motor car No. 461 was this morning charged before Major C. Wilson, O.B.E., with negligent driving in Leighton Hill-road on November 15.

He pleaded "guilty." Sergeant Brown said that the defendant drove on the wrong side of the road, and failed to sound his horn when rounding a corner. The defendant just missed running into a private car which was travelling in the opposite direction, and which managed to pull up to the side of the road to make room for the defendant's car to pass.

A fine of \$15 was imposed.

Mr. W. K. Fok, owner-driver of private motor car No. 126, also admitted to a similar summons.

Traffic Sergeant Roberts said that the offence occurred in Upper Albert-road on November 24. Defendant drove on the wrong side of the road, and travelled fast in a control area. He almost collided with the witness' motor cycle.

Fined \$15.

In the Bangweolo Swamps, North Rhodesia: He immediately proceeded with all speed, by canoe, to Kapapala, where he joined the mail train for Sankala.

He arrived here at 2.20 on Monday morning.

The Duke shot three lions and 22 different specimens of game during his "Safari." His health is excellent and his weight has increased.

Informal Reception

Bwana Kabwa, N. R. Yesterday.

The Duke had a delightful informal reception when en route to the Victoria Falls. He was, bathing when the train arrived but he came out in his dressing gown, rubbing his hands and face, and met the manager of the copper mines, who toasted the Duke's health and happiness.

The Duke drank from a bottle and passed it on to the residents, who also drank and sang for he's a jolly good fellow.

It was noticed that the Duke looked grave, as he stood to attention while the residents sang "God Save the King."

1,000 ROUNDS & FIVE REVOLVERS

SERIOUS CHARGE

ALLEGED CHINESE PASSENGER'S LUGGAGE

TO-DAY'S PROCEEDINGS

On the charge of unlawful possession of 1,000 rounds of ammunition and five "38" long revolvers, a Chinese, described as a stevedore passenger of the ss. "President Cleveland," appeared before Mr. E. W. Hamilton at the Kowloon Magistrate's Court to-day.

Mr. E. S. C. Brookes, for the defence, asked for a remand and bail to be fixed.

The prosecution stated that they had received no instructions for bail, which, in any case, would have to be heavy.

Mr. Hamilton, addressing Mr. Brookes, said that he understood the case was to be heard before two magistrates, and in that case he (the magistrate) thought it would be more convenient for all concerned if it were heard at the Central Magistrate's.

Mr. Brookes agreed, and the prosecution stated that they had no objection.

About the matter of bail, Mr. Hamilton said that it would be very heavy, as the case was serious, in that it amounted to smuggling arms into the Colony.

The accused was remanded until next Thursday, bail being allowed at \$10,000.

Defendant, a native of Suwui, was arrested yesterday on board the ss. "President Cleveland," when the five revolvers and 1,000 rounds were discovered cleverly concealed in his personal luggage. Presumably he had come from America.

NEW \$100 NOTES

TO BE ISSUED BY H. & S. BANK

OF NEW DESIGN

In accordance with their policy of substituting notes of new design for those already in circulation, The Hong Kong & Shanghai Banking Corporation will shortly issue new \$100 notes.

The new notes, which will be put into circulation this week, the predominant colour of which is cerise, are slightly smaller than those of the same denomination previously issued. In conformity with the new notes of lesser value already current in Hong Kong, the outstanding feature of the design is the head of Britannia and the numerals "100" watermarked in an otherwise blank space.

On the front at the left hand side is an allegorical figure representing "The Law" which is balanced by a scalloped oval with the watermark already commented upon. The Bank crest, the denomination in words, the serial number (twice) and the usual supercription occupy the centre of the note, whilst at each corner is a small circle containing the figures "100" three of them having the Chinese characters in close proximity. The background particularly at the centre, is of a polychrome nature.

The reverse has the familiar view of the Bank premises as a centrepiece flanked by two oblongs, that on the left backing the watermarked oval of the front whilst the one on the right contains an ornamental shield inscribed "100 dollars." The figures "100" and the characters are twice incorporated in the design and the serial number is shown at each corner. The notes are dated October 1, 1927, have the signature of the Hon. Mr. A. C. Hynes, Chief Manager, lithographed and will bear original signatures of various members of the Bank staff on behalf of the Chief Accountant.

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The second defendant said that he was in a tea-shop, and when he went outside he saw the third defendant assaulting his young brother. He joined in, and was in turn, attacked by the fourth.

Both second and third said quite definitely that they are unaware why they were assaulted. Case proceeding.

LONDON POLICE SENSATION

EX-OFFICER HELD

RIBUFFI AND "NIGHT CLUB QUEEN" BEFORE COURT

ALLEGED SCANDAL

London, Yesterday. Goddard and Ribuffi, appeared in the dock at Bow Street together with Mrs. Meyrick, the so called "Night Club Queen." She was arrested on Dec. 1, a few days after her release from "Holloway" where she had served six months for breaches of the licensing laws at a west end club.

All were charged under the Prevention of Corruption Act.

Counsel for the prosecution, Mr. P. Clarke gave evidence of an anonymous letter having been received at Scotland Yard on Aug. 23, charging Goddard with flagrantly receiving bribes. The letter was handed to Goddard, who declared that he had accumulated money to buy a house and motor car by thrift and successful speculation in horse racing.

It is asserted that Goddard had two safes in Oxford Street and a safe deposit. He took another safe in Pall Mall on Oct. 12, 1926 bank notes were found in the last named. Nineteen \$10 notes were traced to Ribuffi and four to Meyrick.

Goddard had reported favourably concerning the conduct of the "Uncles' Club," owned by Ribuffi on April, 1926, and July, 1927.

Counsel reviewed the vicissitudes of the various clubs connected with Mrs. Meyrick, on which Goddard frequently reported.

Finally, Chief Inspector Cooper organised independent observation without Goddard's knowledge, which result in the conviction of Mrs. Meyrick in June.

Mr. Clarke mentioned that other charges against Goddard in connection with brothels, under Goddard's observation, and asserted that Goddard periodically made gifts to his Assistant Police Constable Wilkins.

Goddard's Record

Chief Inspector Cooper, cross-examined, said he believed that Goddard had been commended and rewarded by Commissioners 90 times during the past nine years for having raided, on an average, quite 20 clubs annually. His pay was \$6 weekly. He had been sometimes rewarded for special work. Goddard knew that the prosecution was pending but did not attempt to leave the country. Ribuffi had been in England 25 years.

The case was adjourned, Goddard being released on \$1,000 bail, provided by a pawnbroker. Mrs. Meyrick's bail was \$2,000, of which she deposited the half herself. Bail was refused Ribuffi, who was remanded in custody.—Reuter.

The following telegram from London, dated Nov. 26, stated:—

[As a sequel to the investigation of corrupt practices among proprietors of London night clubs Station Sergeant Goddard, of Vine-street Police Station, London, with a record of 25 years' service, was dismissed the force on October 29, has now been arrested and charged at Bow-street with unlawfully and corruptly accepting a gift of \$50 from Ribuffi, Assistant Manager of the "Uncle's Club," Albemarle-street.

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STREET ROW

FOUR YOUNG CHINESE IMPLICATED

For behaving in a disorderly manner in the public street, three Chinese students and another Chinese described as a clerk, appeared before Mr. E. W. Hamilton, at the Kowloon Court to-day.

First and second defendants, who are brothers, allege that the other assaulted them.

Mr. Hamilton said that it was rather strange that such an affair should be brought before a police court.

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Mainland is published:—

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Signal Station	1774
Mt. Parker	1734
Mountain Lodge	1725
The Eyrie	1725
Peak Hotel	1805
Talkoo Sanatorium	1000
Mt. Davis	897
Bowen Road (Afterbeds)	8124
Tai-mo-shan	8124
Mainland.	Feet.
Tai-mo-shan	3124
Kowloon Peak	1971

REJUVENATION

SCHEME THAT DID NOT
COME TO PASS

"A GOLDEN VISTA"

A scheme for the rejuvenation of elderly ladies was recently mentioned during the hearing of a case against the proprietor of a West-end health institute, tried before Mr. Justice Finlay in the King's Bench Division.

Plaintiff in the action was Miss Annette Mary McCalman, of Pound Close, Twynning, Tewkesbury, and she claimed damages for an alleged breach of contract from Miss Anne Walton, of the Radiant Health Institute, Wigmore-street, W. The allegation was denied.

Mr. H. H. Joy, K.C., and Mr. H. H. Maddocks (instructed by Messrs. Waterhouse and Co.) were for the plaintiff, and Mr. H. G. Garland (instructed by Messrs. Robins, Hay, Waters, and Hay) appeared for the defendant.

Mr. Joy explained that Miss McCalman was suffering from torticollis in September, 1927, and came to London to consult a specialist. As a result she agreed to take a three months' course of treatment with the defendant at a fee of £100. During the treatment it appeared that Miss Walton had become interested in a scheme for the rejuvenation of elderly women, who were to pay £500 for a course of treatment. "Defendant was so pre-occupied by this golden vista," declared Mr. Joy, "that she neglected the plaintiff." On Nov. 26 she sent Miss McCalman a letter which stated:

I am writing to tell you of the immediate developments which are taking place in my career and my plans with regard to your cure, for I have you much in mind, and have set my heart on getting you well. As I told you, great and wonderful good fortune is coming into my life in the New Year, which will just mean everything in the wider development of my work, to which my life is dedicated.

This, happening so miraculously and unexpectedly, necessitates a little alteration in my arrangements with you, but even that will be for your gain, as you will afterwards see. As I am feeling the reaction of my removal, and have had hardly one day off this year, I am taking a holiday until Christmas.

Miss McCalman, said counsel regarded that as a breach of the agreement.

A Three Months' Course

Miss McCalman, in evidence, said that in September last year she was concerned about her health and consulted Sir James Purves-Stewart, who gave her a letter of introduction to the defendant. In that letter he told the defendant that she (Miss McCalman) was suffering from muscular spasms in the neck and jaw, and he suggested a course of relaxation exercises. She took the letter to the Radiant Health Institute, Wigmore-street, and saw Miss Walton. The defendant told her that she had treated similar cases before, and said that a three months' course of treatment would be necessary. Witness agreed to have that course and to pay £100 for eighty treatments, and paid £50 on account. She also took rooms in London in order that she could visit the defendant's place daily. That daily treatment continued until the latter part of November, when she paid the defendant the £50 balance due on the course.

"After that," continued plaintiff, "I noticed that Miss Walton seemed preoccupied, and very delighted with something on her mind. I said to her: 'You seem pleased about something,' and she told me of a wonderful golden future, and of a scheme for the rejuvenation of elderly ladies, but it would not be ready until the new year. She also said it would be a very expensive treatment, which would bring in a great deal of money."

Mr. Joy: Did it seem that her preoccupation continued while she was treating you?—Yes, it did, decidedly. She told me she would give me some new exercises, but did not do so. Plaintiff said she had the arc-ray treatment only about six times; otherwise the treatment consisted of rubbing and stretching and deep-breathing exercises.

Proceeding to speak of the letter she received from the defendant, Miss McCalman said there had been no discussion about breaking off the treatment. She received the letter on Nov. 26. At that time she felt no better. Then she found herself left with her room in London and her treatment suddenly interrupted. As she was very anxious to obtain some benefit while in London, she went to see another doctor, and arranged to have a course of treatment with him. She was a little better in consequence of that treatment.

Cross-examined, plaintiff said the defendant had shown clearly that her heart was not in the work, and that fact, coupled with the letter, led her to regard the contract as broken by the defendant.

A Reduced Fee

Miss Walton, in evidence, said she told the plaintiff at the outset that her case would take a long time, and that she had better have a three months' course of treat-

ment at the reduced fee of £100 for eighty treatments. She denied that there was any change in her treatment of the plaintiff after the money was paid. In fact, she declared, Miss McCalman told her she was the only one who had done her any good, and that she would have another course when that one was ended. There was never a word of complaint from the plaintiff.

In reply to Mr. Joy, Miss Walton denied that continuous treatment was even mentioned. After telling the plaintiff of the "wonderful partnership" she had in view, the plaintiff, with tears in her eyes, said, "You will be so occupied that you won't have time for me," but "I assured her that she would have first attention."

The "golden vista" (as counsel described it) did not come to pass, however, said the defendant. She was deceived by it. It was not to be a partnership with a medical man, but she was going to help one in his work of rejuvenation by undertaking the physical exercises.

Mr. Joy: If he were very busy with the elderly ladies who were to be rejuvenated, you were to assist him; and when these wealthy women came you were to do the massage part of the treatment?—No, I was to give the curative rhythm. He was to send me his cases, just as Lord Dawson, Sir Thomas Horder, and Sir James Purves-Stewart did, and we were to share the fees.

Mr. Joy: Would these wealthy women have preference over humble patients at a guinea a time?—Certainly not. My patients would have my first attention because I value the co-operation of leading members of the medical profession. I am a pioneer, and I have established myself among medical men.

In reply to other questions, defendant added that the whole scheme "happened in a flash" in the course of ten days.

Counsel: When this "golden vista" flashed upon you why did you not tell your patient that, in the circumstances, you would have to go away for a rest, and would resume in the new year?—I only decided to go the day before I sent the letter, and I expected Miss McCalman to come on the following day.

His lordship, giving judgment for the defendant, held that there was a contract between the parties, but that the defendant's letter only suggested a temporary break in the treatment, and envisaged a continuance at a later date. He thought the plaintiff had used that letter to get rid of the treatment, with which she was dissatisfied, so as to go to someone else.

Judgment was accordingly entered for the defendant, with costs.

STANDARD TIME.

SUNRISE AND SUNSET IN
HONG KONG

Sunrise and Sunset in Hong Kong for December, 1928, (standard time of the 120th Meridian, East of Greenwich), is as follows:—

Dec.	Sunrise.	Sunset.
	a.m.	p.m.
4	6.49	5.39
5	6.49	5.39
6	6.50	5.39
7	6.50	5.39
8	6.51	5.39
9	6.52	5.39
10	6.52	5.40
11	6.53	5.40
12	6.53	5.40
13	6.54	5.40
14	6.55	5.41
15	6.55	5.41
16	6.56	5.42
17	6.56	5.42
18	6.57	5.42
19	6.57	5.43
20	6.58	5.43
21	6.58	5.44
22	6.59	5.44
23	6.59	5.45
24	7.00	5.45
25	7.00	5.46
26	7.01	5.47
27	7.01	5.47
28	7.02	5.48
29	7.02	5.48
30	7.02	5.49
31	7.03	5.49

Mr. Bontty, president of the Canadian Pacific, speaking at a banquet, said that his company had no intention of seeking running rights to Halifax over the Canadian National lines.

Valma Schultz, aged 25, a member of an American troupe, "The Flying La Mars," was killed at Wirth's Circus, Melbourne, during a trapeze turn.

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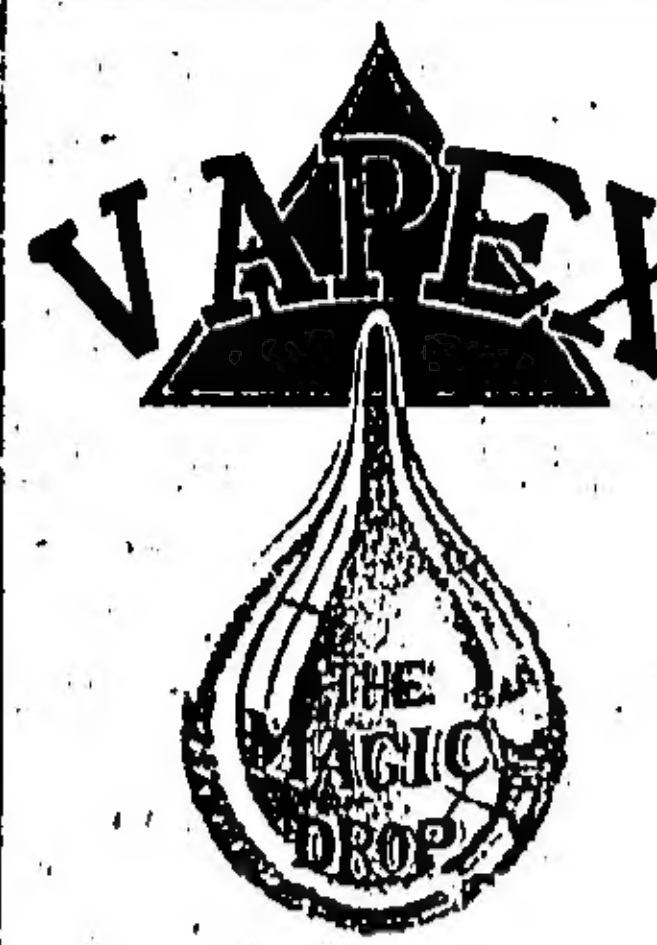
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FURTHER PROCEEDINGS

The experiences of Captain C. E. Plunkett-Cole, who was severely wounded in both legs during the piracy on the B. & S. s.s. "Anking," were related for the first time yesterday afternoon when he gave evidence before Major C. Willson, O.B.E., at the resumed hearing of the case in which a Chinese is charged with having been concerned in the affair.
The Captain stated that on September 23, he sailed from Singapore with 1,400 passengers and 1,000 tons of general cargo for Hoihow, Swatow and Amoy. The passengers were all searched at Singapore.
All went well until 6.40 a.m. on September 26 when the ship was off Kulao, Rai Island. At that time the Captain was on the bridge with the chief officer when he heard two shots fired. He turned round and found two men with revolvers in their hands. Both men fired and both witness and the chief officer closed with them.
The witness was shot in two places. Describing one of the bullets' effect, witness said that it "struck him like a hammer" on the pelvis. He fell down after that shot and his assailant jumped on him and pointed a revolver at his head. The man would have shot witness but for the fact that he had exhausted his ammunition.
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Captain Plunkett-Cole then spoke of seeing the chief officer struggling and said that after he (witness) fell down, he never saw the chief officer again.
Continuing, he said that he heard shooting afterwards. One of the pirates returned to the bridge later and pushed him down to the promenade deck, where he saw the second, third, and fourth engineers, under guard.
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Witness said he lost a sovereign case, a number of trinkets, a pair of binoculars, a Colt revolver and some tropical clothing.
When he arrived at Hong Kong, he was removed to the Peak Hospital where he stayed thirty-two days. One of the bullets is still in his thigh, lodged within a muscle, and the doctors had informed him that if the bullet did not shift there was no need to remove it.
Accused's Arrest
Evidence of the accused's arrest on a Hoklo boat on the afternoon of October 5 was given by Lance Sergeant W. E. Goldsmith, in charge of Water Police Launch No. 7. The boat was stopped in Lyemow Pass, and searching the hold, witness found a man lying on his back, with his eyes wide open, seeming to be frightened or ill.
From the master of the boat, witness learned that this man had chartered the boat to Limchow and paid \$35 to be brought to Hong Kong. Witness towed the boat to Tsimshatsui, where its three occupants were held for inquiry, and subsequently accused was charged.
The case was again adjourned.

"ASAMA MARU"
VESSEL LAUNCHED FOR THE
N. Y. K.
LARGEST JAPANESE SHIP.

The most important launch that has taken place in Japan for some years occurred on Oct. 30 when the passenger liner "Asama Maru," the first of the three ships of 16,600 tons gross for the Nippon Yusen Kaisha's passenger service between Japan and San Francisco. She was built at the yard of the Mitsubishi-Zosen Kaisha and is 684 ft. overall (569 ft. b.p.), with a moulded beam of 72 ft. and a loaded draught of 28 ft. 6 ins.
The displacement is 22,000 tons. There is accommodation for 200 first-class, 100 second-class and 900 third-class passengers. A swimming pool is also included. Four Sulzer single-acting engines, constructed in Winterthur, are installed, each developing 3,875 h.p. and having eight cylinders 680 mm. bore with a piston stroke of 1,100 mm. The speed is 120 r.p.m. In service the ship will maintain about 18 knots.
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M. B. K.

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MARINE ENGINEERS
PRESSING PROBLEM OF
SHORTAGE
WHAT OWNERS ARE DOING

One of the most pressing problems with which tramp ship-owners are confronted now is the shortage of marine engineers. The subject, as is known, has recently been under the consideration of a sub-committee which was appointed by the Shipping Federation with a view to throwing light upon the difficulty. A great deal of evidence has been collected from many sources, and the report of the committee's deliberations is understood to be practically completed. Whether the remedy has been found remains to be seen. There is a pretty general feeling outside official circles that there is too great an insistence upon a form of examination for sea-going engineers which, while necessary for a designer, is needless for engineer serving in a cargo ship.
Percentage of Failures
One has only to examine the results of the examinations held periodically to realise what a considerable percentage of failures occurs through the examiner's demand for a high proficiency in subjects which have really only an academic interest in the actual life of the sea-going engineer. The problem, generally does not affect liners, which are not experiencing any shortage. It is the tramp ship which is suffering, and as that type forms about 75 per cent. of British tonnage, the seriousness of the problem is apparent.—"Syren."

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HONG KONG TIDE.

The tide-table given below has been obtained by aid of the Tide-predicting Machine, which includes 40 components for the better prediction of tides, from the result of the analysis of the tidal observations, taken at the Kaulun tidal observatory under the direction of Dr. Doherty during the years 1887-1888 and 1889.
The times and heights are given for Kaulun; but they may be used for the Victoria Naval Yard and Aberdeen, the differences being very small.
The times of high and low-water must not be considered to coincide with the times of slack-water and change of current, the two phenomena being quite distinct.

Nov. 30 to Dec. 6, 1928.

DATE	HIGH WATER		LOWER WATER	
	Standard Time	Ht.	Standard Time	Ht.
Fri. 30	0 55a	4.7	m 5 43	0.8
	10 48a	4.5	4 7 40	0.8
Sat. 1	3 39a	4.4	m 5 58	0.8
	11 38a	8.1	4 40 4.2	
Sun. 2	3 31a	4.5	m 7 29	1.2
			5 16 4.5	
Mon. 3	m 0 33	7.5	m 8 41	1.5
	No inferior High		nor Low	
Tues. 4	m 1 30	8.8	m 9 43	1.9
	5 18a	5.1	8 30 4.1	
Wed. 5	m 3 31	8.2	m 10 41	2.2
	6 17a	6.4	10 58 4.7	
Thurs. 6	m 4 43	8.8	m 11 39	2.5
	6 33a	5.8		

SHIPBUILDING ORDER

Messrs. Swan, Hunter and Wigham Richardson, Ltd., have booked a contract for a 15,000 ton floating oil factory for the Viking Whaling Co., a new undertaking, in which British and Norwegian capital is involved. The company has a capital of £380,000, but is not registered at present. The vessel will be fitted with blubber boilers, cutting up machines and special apparatus for lifting whales on deck, and will cost £275,000.

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SHORTEST AND QUICKEST ROUTE ACROSS THE PACIFIC.
TO VICTORIA & VANCOUVER.
17 Days Hongkong-Vancouver, 14 Days Shanghai-Vancouver.
11 Days Kobe-Vancouver, 9 Days Yokohama-Vancouver.

SAILINGS, 1929.					
	Leave	Leave	Leave	Leave	Arrive
	Hong Kong	S'hai	Kobe	Y'ham	Yokohama
STEAMERS					
EMPRESS OF RUSSIA	Jan. 9	Jan. 12	Jan. 15	Jan. 17	Jan. 26
EMPRESS OF ASIA	Jan. 23	Jan. 26	Jan. 29	Jan. 31	Feb. 9
EMPRESS OF FRANCE	Mar. 6	Mar. 9	Mar. 12	Mar. 14	Mar. 23
EMPRESS OF ASIA	Mar. 20	Mar. 23	Mar. 26	Mar. 28	Apr. 6
EMPRESS OF FRANCE	Apr. 10	Apr. 13	Apr. 16	Apr. 18	Apr. 27
EMPRESS OF RUSSIA	May 1	May 4	May 7	May 9	May 18
EMPRESS OF ASIA	May 15	May 18	May 21	May 23	Jun. 1
EMPRESS OF FRANCE	June 5	June 8	June 11	June 13	Jun. 22
EMPRESS OF RUSSIA	June 26	June 29	July 2	July 4	July 13
EMPRESS OF ASIA	July 10	July 12	July 15	July 18	Jul. 27

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PORTS, EUROPE, &c.

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S. S.	Tonn	From Hong Kong About	Destination
JEYPORE	5,318	6th Dec.	Marseilles, London, Hull, Antwerp, Rotterdam & Hamburg
MALWA	10,946	8th Dec.	Bombay, Marseilles & London.
KASHMIR	8,985	16th Dec.	Marseilles & London.
NALDERA	16,088	22nd Dec.	Bombay, Marseilles & London.
MANTUA	10,946	5th Jan.	Bombay, Marseilles & London.

Frequent connection from Port Said for Passengers and Cargo to
Constantinople, Piræus, Smyrna and other Levant Ports by steamers of the
Khedival Mail Steamship Co.

BRITISH INDIA-APCAR SAILINGS.

TAKADA	6,949	12th Dec.	Singapore, Penang & Calcutta.
TALAMBA	8,918	21st Dec.	Singapore, Penang & Calcutta.
TALMA	10,000	5th Jan.	Singapore, Penang & Calcutta.
SANTHIA	7,754	21st Jan.	Singapore, Penang & Calcutta.
TILAWA	10,000	6th Feb.	Singapore, Penang & Calcutta.

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and 2nd class passengers. All steamers are fitted with wireless and
carry a qualified surgeon.

EASTERN & AUSTRALIAN SAILINGS (South).

ST. ALBANS	4,500	28th Dec.	Manila, Sandakan, Thursday Island,
ARAFURA	6,000	1st Jan.	Townsville, Brisbane, Sydney &
TANDA	6,956	1st Mar.	Melbourne.

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to Australia.

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Zealand, Vancouver, San Francisco, etc.

The P. & O. Royal Mail steamers to London via Suez Canal.
The P. & O. Branch Service of steamers to London via the Cape.
The New Zealand Shipping Company's steamers for Southampton and
London via Panama Canal.

SAILINGS TO SHANGHAI & JAPAN.

MANTUA	10,946	7th Dec.	Shanghai, Kobe & Yokohama.
TRESILLIAN	9,918	14th Dec.	Shanghai, Kobe & Yokohama.
TALMA	10,000	14th Dec.	Shanghai, Kobe, Kobe & Osaka.
GAZANA	5,284	19th Dec.	Amoy, Kobe & Osaka.
KALYAN	9,144	21st Dec.	Shanghai, Kobe & Yokohama.
SANTHIA	7,754	28th Dec.	Amoy, Kobe & Osaka.
MOREA	10,953	4th Jan.	Shanghai, Kobe & Yokohama.
ARAFURA	6,900	8th Jan.	Shanghai, Kobe, Osaka & Yokohama.

* Cargo only.

All dates are approximate and subject to alteration without notice.

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Singapore while awaiting the on-coming steamer.

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SAILINGS FROM HONG KONG.

S.S. "CITY OF CHESTER"	Via Suez Canal	27th December.
S.S. "EUMAEUS"	Via Suez Canal	11th January
S.S. "AUTOLYCHUS"	Via Suez Canal	8th February

Steamers proceed via Suez Canal or Panama Canal at Owners' Option.

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FRENCH SHIPPING

COMPREHENSIVE SURVEY OF
CONDITIONS

LOOKING BACK

M. Jacques Marchegay, assistant
general secretary of the Comité
Central des Armateurs de France
(Association of French shipowners)
has for the third time delivered a
report on the shipping industry.
In it he pointed out that the ton-
nage of the merchant fleet on
January 1 aggregated 3,440,616 tons
gross, France thus holding sixth
place among maritime countries,
and coming after Great Britain, the
United States, Japan, Germany and
Italy.

During the years 1926 and 1927,
French shipowners had continued
to renew their fleets by disposing
of 153,000 tons for breaking up,
but the output of French shipyards
which reached 121,342 tons in 1926,
dropped to 44,355 tons in 1927.

As regards the activity of the
French merchant marine, M.
Marchegay stated that it was
satisfactory. The figure of laid-up
tonnage which aggregated 233,000
tons on January 15, 1928, was
181,000 tons on January 15, 1928,
and 168,000 tons on July 15 last,
thus showing a marked decrease,
whereas an increase was observed
in Great Britain. The laid-up ton-
nage was far more considerable in
Italy (429,000 tons in July last),
while the total merchant tonnage
was approximately the same.

There had been, on the other
hand, a gratifying increase in
French seaborne trade, especially
in 1927, a year during which the
total traffic of French ports, in-
cluding exports and imports, aggre-
gated 43,610,006 metric tons, as
compared with 38,192,375 tons for
1926.

Efforts of French Shipowners.

Although the total figures of the
French merchant tonnage had
showed but little change, a number
of new vessels had been placed into
service by shipowners, and a large
number of new passenger liners
were building, or to be built. By
placing into service the "Ile-de-
France," M. Marchegay stated the
Cie Gle Transatlantique had been
fortunate enough to achieve both a
commercial and a national success.
In April, 1930, a new cabin-class
liner would be completed for the
New York service. The Cie Gle
Transatlantique had also under
construction four cargo liners for
the North Pacific service, and would
shortly order a new liner for the
Central American Line.

The Cie de Navigation Sud-
Atlantique had increased the fre-
quency of the mail service from
Bordeaux to South-America by hav-
ing their liners "Lutetia" and
"Massilia" converted to oil-burning,
and had recently ordered from the
Chantier de Ateliers de Saint-
Nazaire, Penhoet a new de luxe
liner.

For the Marseilles-South American
run, the Ste Gle de Transports
Maritimes a Yapur had also or-
dered a new passenger steamer.
The Messageries Maritimes had
placed into service no fewer than
five new liners since the last Con-
gress, and they still had three pas-
senger vessels under construction.
Passing to the Corsican service, it
was noteworthy that the Cie
Fraissinet had ordered three new
passenger vessels. Reference was
also made to the summer and
winter cruises organised by French
shipowners.

National & International Hindrance
M. Marchegay then examined the
difficulties with which French ship-
owners are faced, and expressed the
wish that the Government should
set them free from various hind-
rances, national and international.
Alluding to the recent organisation
of the Credit Maritime—assistance
scheme to shipbuilding—he said
that the Government were to be
congratulated for having taken a
step which aimed at placing French
shipowners on the same footing as
their foreign competitors. M. Mar-
chegay showed that the institution
of the Credit Maritime, which pro-
vides for an allowance on the inter-
est to be paid by French shipowners
for building new ships, aimed at
reducing the cost of vessels built
in French yards, which was higher
than shipbuilding costs abroad by
about 15 per cent. But he was of
opinion that the cost price of a ship
for a French owner was high not
only owing to the high building
prices, but to a result of the various
taxes laid on French vessels. On
any vessel purchased from a for-
eign firm, the French shipowner
has to pay a Custom duty, an im-
port duty and a register duty.
Taking the case of a ship of 7,500
tons, worth nine million francs, the
extra cost so incurred worked out
to about 500,000 francs, whereas
foreign shipowners had no similar
duties to pay. It was to be hoped
that the French Parliament would
be presented with a draft Bill aim-
ing at placing the French flag on
the same footing as foreign flags
in that respect.

But the difficulties encountered
by French shipowners in the opera-
tion of their trade did not result
only from French legislation, but
also from the protective measures
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ter, Rev. F. & Mrs. Worley, Mr.
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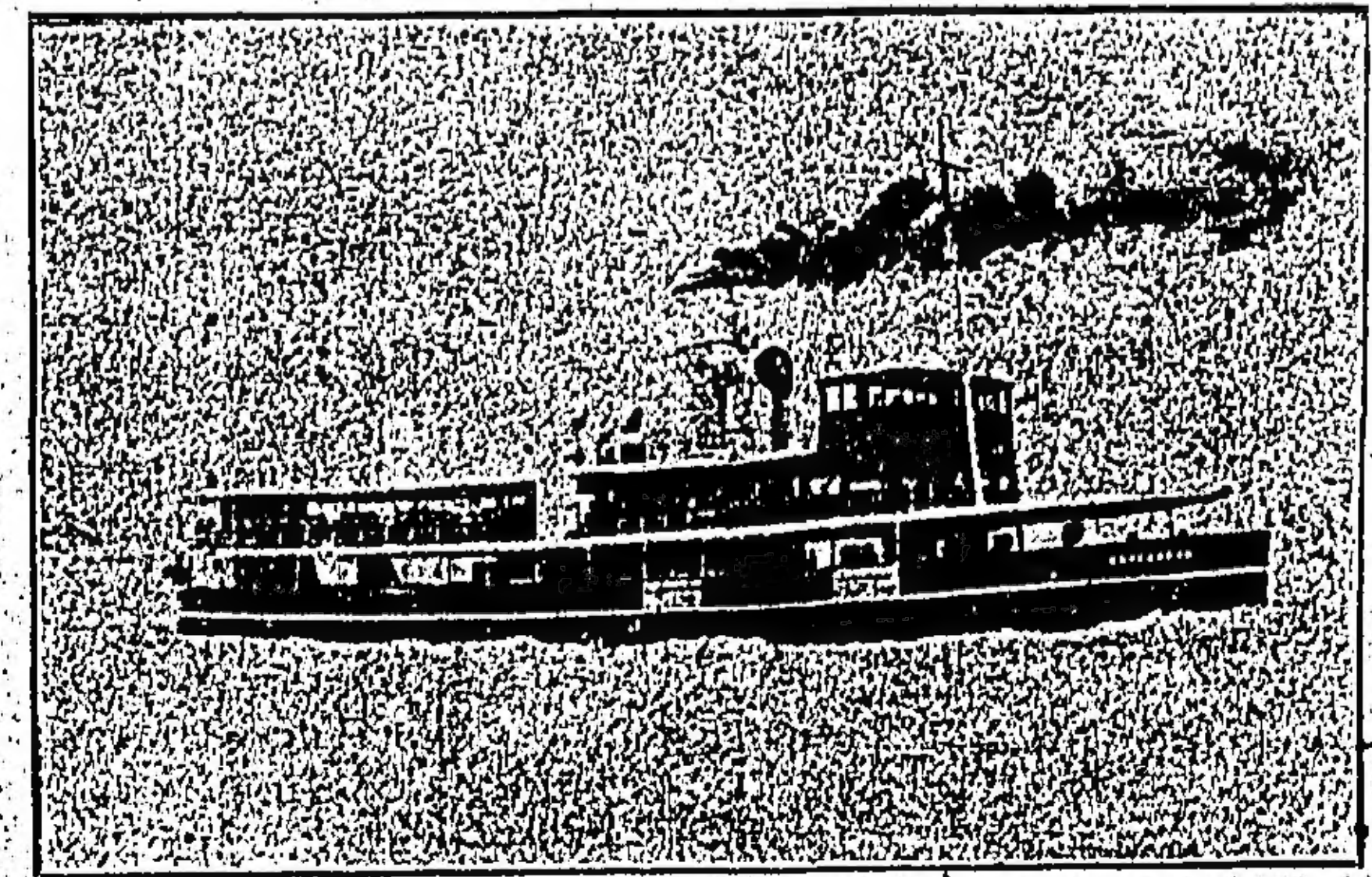
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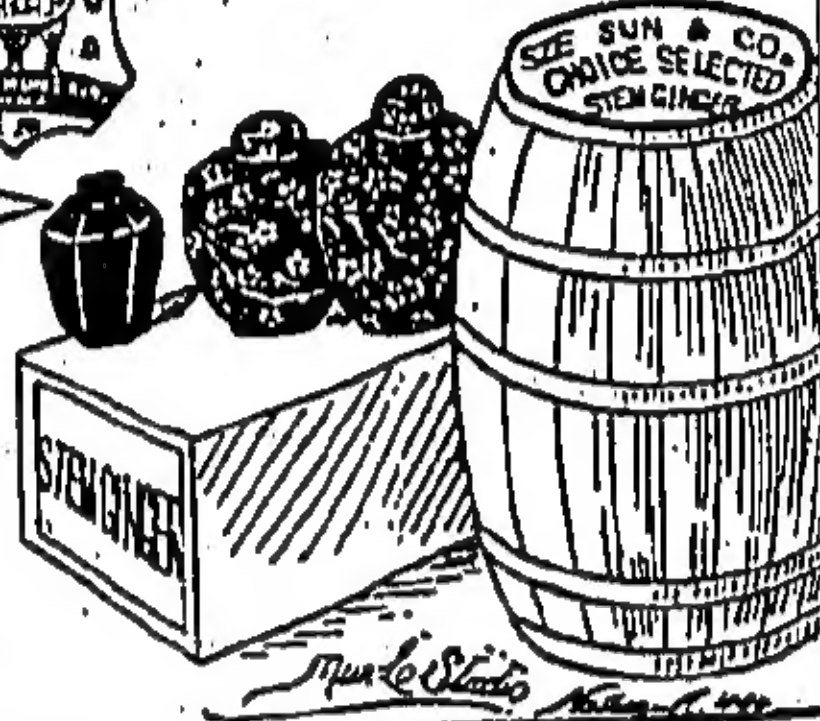
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Hong Kong, Tuesday, Dec. 4, 1928.

THE "SOONG DYNASTY"

The following, from one whose
business it is to keep his finger
on the pulse of China's political
situation, portends grave dangers
ahead. It was written from Nan-
king to the "China Mail's" pol-
itical correspondent, with a qual-
ification that it is a personal rather
than an official forecast. It
reads:—

"There are strong rumours
that Chiang Kai-shek & Co. are rid-
ing for a fall and that if he does not
curb his ambitions he may go the way
of Yuan Shih-kai. It seems that Nan-
king so far has not done much more
than talk in a grandiloquent way about
things that are going to be done, and
that there has been very little, if any,
real achievement in the direction of
solving the fundamental problems of
disbandment and unification of fin-
ances.

"The possibility of a combination
between Feng Yu-shiang, Yen Hsi-
shan, Li Tsung-jen and Pei Chung-hsi
to oust the 'Soong Dynasty,' as it is
facetiously called here, is being freely
discussed. The Chinese here are ex-
tremely sceptical as to the possibility
of deriving any benefit at all from
'San Min-tai' and if Nanking does not
show definite results pretty soon there
may be a general bust-up."

The substance of the foregoing
is too true. Only the bluntness
of language is usually reserved
for personal communications and
seldom used in reports for publi-
cation. The "Chiang Kai-shek
& Co." element is obvious. The
virtual President of China mar-
ried the sister of Mr. T. V. Soong,
the Finance Minister who has
been engaged of late on discus-
sion of Treaty matters. Then
there is another relative, Dr. H. H.
Kung, in the family by marriage.
No wonder they call it the "Soong
Dynasty" up there, particularly
as this clique holds the purse-
strings, the point on which most
Chinese leaders are easiest to
take offence. Mr. Sun Fo is step-
son of another former Miss Soong
but he is now working outside the
group.

In disbandment and central-
isation of the country's finances—
the two problems which need the
most urgent attention—little has
been done. Agreement has been
reached with most of the interest-
ed nations, it is admitted, but only
in regard to the Nanking In-
cident and Commerce; and also
with two small countries on ex-
trality. Settlement with Japan
has yet to come.

Within the compass of this
article it is not possible to quote
chapter and verse. It is essen-
tial, however, to recall that the
late Yuan Shih-kai, the first Pre-
sident of China, who achieved a
form of unification, was fatally
bitten by the microbe of personal
ambition and fell because he
wanted to keep everything for
himself. Two men of utterly op-
posed views were sounded to-day.
One, a Chu Jen (M.A. in the Im-
perial examinations) and a man
of letters and commerce, at the
same time a competent English
scholar, was confident that trou-
ble is looming ahead. The other,
a former No. 1 stoker and ex-
official of the Canton Seamen's
Union, was equally emphatic.
Their details differed but the re-
sult of summing-up the same.

Emphasis, however, has to be
laid on one point. Feng Yu-
hsiang, the "Christian General"
(mentioned by the writer in Nan-
king) has never gone to war for
the benefit of others. If he joined
the combination predicted, the
danger to him lies in the anti-
Soong crowd becoming too strong.
He has successfully held the
balance of power for some time,
doing so partly by fighting but
mostly by relying on the perma-
nent liking of Chinese politicians
and Generals for compromise. It
is this preference for compromise
which lends hope that the evil
day might be staved off until a
better complexion is visible. The
"Soong Dynasty" will wait, but
will the others mark time mean-
while?

The King's Health

It would seem to be a fact that
the optimism that one believed to
be justified in feeling with regard
to the King's health, in the first
few days of his illness, does not
now appear to be quite so easy to
hold. His Majesty, there can be
little doubt, is now quite seriously
ill, the congestion of the lung and
what was thought to be a mild
attack of pleurisy, having de-
veloped into a somewhat more
complicated illness. Without any
lessening of the congestion or im-
provement of the pleurisy this
additional affection of the heart
must be regarded as a serious
matter, especially in one, such as
the King, who has never been
robust and who is now "not quite
so young as he used to be." His

Majesty, as a matter of fact, is in
his 64th year, and at such a period
of one's life a complication must
not be regarded lightly. One
should not, however, seem to
incline towards undue pes-
simism in the matter, for it is
evident that though the King's
condition is not so reassuring as
it was a few days ago, still it is
not, it would seem, of such a
nature as to give really serious
anxiety to his medical advisers.
One must hope for the best and
trust that His Majesty will be
able soon to throw off the malady
that is now causing more an-
xiety. The latest news points to
a less alarming condition of affairs
than was beginning to be feared;
and the hope will be widely ex-
pressed that soon the royal pa-
tient will be well on the way
towards complete recovery. It
must, however, be recognised that
the administration of oxygen
points to a somewhat more alarm-
ing condition than was generally
believed.

The elevation of the race can
come only through its great men
and women. Every collective ad-
vance was first an idea, a higher
recognition by one discoverer,
which gained a response and then
permeated the great reservoir of
human thought. — Christian
Science Watchman.

Bookings for the Automobile
Association dinner-dance, at the
Peninsula Hotel on the 14th
inst., are still available.

General Chan Hing-wan arrived
at Foochow on Dec. 1 at 3.15 p.m.
from Canton. He left again on
Dec. 3 at 8.45 a.m. for Hang-
chow.

Captain George Anderson, of
the American Bureau of Shipping,
arrived at Hong Kong yesterday
on the "President Cleveland"
from San Francisco via Shanghai.

Mr. M. H. Rothrock, of the
Goodyear Rubber Co., was on the
"President Cleveland" which ar-
rived here yesterday from the
States and sailed to-day for
Manila.

A warrant has been issued for
the arrest of a Chinese named Lo
Pun-pak, alias Lo Pak-wai, alias
Lo Cheung-li, until recently liv-
ing at No. 12, Centre-street, who
is alleged to have embezzled the
sum of \$1,813, the property of
the Kwong On Yuen firm.

Three Chinese drivers of public
vehicles appeared before the
Kowloon Magistrate Mr. E. W.
Hamilton, on a charge of assault,
and were bound over in personal
bonds to be of good behaviour
for 6 months. The trouble
originated, it appeared, from a
dispute over a prospective
customer late last night at the
Kowloon Ferry Wharf.

A Chinese named Sui Cheuk-
hing, described as an insurance
broker of the Holland-China
Trading Co., No. 67-69, Des
Voeux-road Central, was this
morning charged before Major
C. Willson, O.B.E., with the
alleged embezzlement of \$26.25,
and further with forging a docu-
ment relating to that amount. A
week's remand was given, bail
being fixed in the sum of \$100.

The manager of Messrs. Wong
Bros., Pottinger-street, reported
to the police that a Chinese, who
gave the name of Lee Sui-to and
described himself as manager of
the Yu Wah Co., obtained on
credit an Underwood typewriter
worth \$275. When an attempt
was made to obtain payment for
the machine, it was found that
the Yu Wah Co., was a bankrupt
firm which had been closed down.
Lee could not be traced, and is
believed to have absconded with
the typewriter.

CORRESPONDENCE

ROUGHNESS ON THE SOCCER FIELD

(To the Editor of the "China Mail.")

Sir,—I hope you will kindly
spare me a little space in your
paper re Local Football. Recently
it is frequent enough that there
were striking and purposely tick-
ling at opponents in Local
Matches, and on Saturday's
match between the R.A. and
South China a player was actual-
ly struck on the breast and was
felled there and then. I was sur-
prised to see that such a spirit
(malice) exists on a football field
which should not be shown even
in the boxing ring, as the game
was rough and dirty throughout
and if not owing to the sharpness
and fairness of the referee some
one might have been killed. Will

not the Football Association take
a serious view of these and do
something to extinct this kind of
spirit that the spectators may
have the chance to see a good and
sporting game? Should this kind
of spirit exist on sporting fields
the idea of concord clubs which
have already been discussed so
much is nothing more than a
dream.

Yours, etc.,

SPORTING.

Hong Kong, Dec. 4, 1928.

CHEUNG CHAU

NOTES ON RECENT HAPPEN- INGS ON THE ISLAND

Cheung Chau, Dec. 1.

We have recently said good-bye
to Mr. and Mrs. Minkner (No. 25),
Rev. and Mrs. Desterhaft (we
congratulate these friends on the
interesting event that has recent-
ly taken place in their household
(No. 22) and yesterday Mr.
and Mrs. May, we are sorry to say,
departed for Fatsan.

Mr. L. M. Whyte, though he has
returned from his trip, is no longer
residing here and we under-
stand his house awaits a buyer.

Since the departure of the Rev.
F. and Mrs. Wilkinson, his fine
organ has been in the Hall for
use at the services held there,
and we are grateful for the loan
of it. The other day there was a
call for the instrument to be sent
to Kong Chuen for use in the
Conference Hall, recently built
here by the above gentleman's
father. The instrument has been
donated by the son.

Another change in the lands-
cape has been the removal of the
P.W.D. matshed (the lower one is
also being removed as the fine new
Government School building has
been completed. The building is a
two-storeyed red brick structure
—four class rooms upstairs and

TEST MATCH

LATEST DETAILS

After lunch the score was
205 for 4 wickets.
Jardine 32, Hendren 26, not
out.
Mead L.b.w. Grimmett 72.
—Reuter.

main hall below which can readi-
ly be divided into two class rooms
(the desks are already in posi-
tion) by a smooth-running fold-
ing door of oak wood, which
harmonises with the other doors,
of solid construction. On the
lower floor there is also an office
and masters' room and cloakroom.
The entrance hall communicates
with a small verandah on the
South by a door.

The building faces the har-
bour and is surrounded on three
sides with turf which is also laid
on the sloping walls of the exca-
vation of the hillside. This wall
is the one objection to the site
chosen, as it is apt to cut off a
lot of the South breeze in spite
of the large and numerous win-
dows. The front side of the
building has been reclaimed and
levelled with the excavated earth
and cemented over for games
such as basket and volley ball,
and is already marked out for
these.

On the North side of this, and
built in harmony with the main
building, are very comfortable
servants' quarters, etc.

The whole lot, which extends
into what was once a fine private
garden, with "Flame of the for-
est" and other trees, is fenced in
with wire mesh.

The students of the Cheung
Chau school may be proud
(and the other inhabitants as
well) of this fine building.

The other building close to the
Police station is also nearing com-
pletion, and the block of three
houses of brick with reinforced
floors and roof is now being
coated with cement and a balu-
trade on the roof. It is not high
enough to cut off the view of the
harbour from the station. We
understand that the owner is a
member of the Kaifong, who will
probably reside there.

We are still waiting the new
electric light plant, the old one
which had done good service in
the past, having been silent for
some time. It is possible that the
new plant will serve to illumine
some of the foreign houses on the
hill. The new roof of No. 24 is
about finished, and some neces-
sary repairs have been carried out
on the Assembly Hall, under the
direction of Mr. May.

Thanksgiving day passed off
quietly. There were no Ameri-
can representatives here, as in
former years.

A very fine view of the four
R.F. fliers was witnessed by the
residents here.

Hill fires on Lantau are afford-
ing a fine sight at night. — From
our own correspondent.

P'RAPS-P'RAPS NOT!

Angry Customer: These eggs
aren't fresh.

Indignant Grocer: "Not fresh?"
Why, the boy brought them from
the country this morning.

Customer: "What country?" —
"Washington Cougar's Paw."

The human brain is a wonder-
ful organ. It starts working the
moment we get up in the morn-
ing, and doesn't stop until we get
to the office.

"No noose is good news," says
the pardoned murderer.

Blinks: "Have you ever seen a
prize-fight?"

Jinks: "No, I've never seen a
prize-fight, but I have looked in on
a women's afternoon bridge
party."

"Well, George," said a country
clergyman to an old man who sat
by the wayside breaking stones,
"that pile doesn't seem to get
any less." "No, Vicar," replied
the old man, "them stones is like
the Ten Commandments; yer can
go on breakin' 'em, but yet can't
get rid of 'em."

Referee (excitedly): "Hey, the
bell rang for the eleventh round."
Boxer (who's lost his enthu-
siasm): "Aw, let's sit this one
out."

Four nice mudguards.
Four wheel brakes,
Four sleek snubbers.
When she shakes.

Four new pistons,
Four plugs, too,
Four wide doors
To enter through.

Four bright headlights—
How they shine!
Four more payments—
Then she's mine!
—Arthur L. Lippmann in
"Judge."

"There are several admirable
books telling how to save life
while waiting for the doctor."

"Yes, but what we need is one
telling the young doctor how to
save life while waiting for a
patient."

"Are you a wet or a dry?"
"I claim to be strictly temper-
ate in such matters, answered
Senator Sorghum, "a person who
can take a political policy or let
it alone."

Hubby found some holes in his
stockings. "You haven't mended
these?" he said to his wife.
"Did you buy that coat you
promised me?" she asked.
"No-no."
"Well, if you don't give a wrap,
I don't give a darn."

"Return to school I much enjoy!"
Said little Bennie Blatt.
The Teacher smiled and said,
"Dear boy,
You'll make a Diplomat."

Overheard in the heart of the
city: "See that skyscraper? I
helped watch all the excavating."

Joe College has one of those
German horns on his fliwer—he's
always Teuton it."

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INDUSTRIAL MAGNATES IN CONFERENCE

New York.—The opening of the
fifth annual national conference
of major industries here recently
was marked by a banquet given
in honour of nine pioneers in
American industry.

Seated at table with toast-
master Oscar Mayer, president of
the Institute of American Meat
Packers, were Mr. Henry Ford for
motor-cars, Mr. Orville Wright
and Mr. Glenn Curtiss for avia-
tion, Mr. Thomas Edison for in-
vention, Mr. Charles Schwab for
iron and steel, Mr. Julius Rosen-
wald for merchandising, Mr.
George Eastman for photography,
Mr. Cyrus Curtis for publishing,
and Mr. Harvey Firestone for rub-
ber.

Because of the vast industrial
enterprises represented by the
special guests and the 2,000 other
prominent business men present,
the banquet was described as a
"ten billion dollar dinner"
(\$2,000,000,000).

Dr. Nicholas Murray Butler
spoke on "Industry as public ser-
vice" and Lord Melchett, chair-
man of Imperial Chemical Indus-
tries Ltd., addressed the confer-
ence on the subject of "the gen-
eral industrial situation in
Europe."

The purpose of the conference,
it was announced, was to bring
together the "key men" of Ameri-
can industry for the discussion of
the industrial conditions in the
United States.

WEDDING GIFTS

YESTERDAY'S CEREMONY AT THE REGISTRY

MR. & MRS. A. H. POTTS

A formidable array of presents was on display yesterday at "Alberosa," the residence of the bride's mother, following the marriage of Mr. Alec Cumming Hutton Potts and Miss Suzanne Weill at the Registry. The list is as follows:—

Bridegroom to Bride: Gold cigarette case.
Bride to Bridegroom: Silver hair brushes and comb.
Bridegroom's mother: Moonstone necklace and ice water jug.
Aunt Mima: Travelling clock and pair of candlesticks.
Mr. and Mrs. Dutton: Enamelled cherrys.
Sir Eddy Kadoorie and sons: Cut glass bowl and stand.
Mr. and Mrs. D. J. Storch: Opal glass vase.
Bride's mother and brothers: Diamond bracelet.
Bride's mother: An "Austin 7" car.
Mr. and Mrs. Harry Odell: Fitted dressing case.
Messrs. and Miss Gubbay: Cut glass jug.
Mr. and Mrs. E. Nissim: Brocade and bed spread.
Mr. Archie Nissim: Pair of cut glass decanters.
Mr. and Mrs. Evans: Carters.
Miss Fowler: Porcelain cruet set.
Miss Judith: Jade pin and paper knife.
Mr. and Mrs. Earn: Silver card tray.
Mr. W. Van der Steen: Black glass plate with lotus leaf stand.
Mr. Komor: Embroidered Japanese screen.
Mr. and Mrs. White: Linen tea cloth.
Mrs. D. Gubbay: Pair of silver vases.
Mr. and Mrs. Hill: Lacquer trays.
Mr. and Mrs. A. da Silva: Fish knives and forks.
Mr. and Mrs. R. Meyer: Pair of silver cruet set.
Mr. and Mrs. J. F. Wright, Jr.: Silver cruet set.
Mr. E. Abraham: Silver salver.
Mr. and Mrs. Banner: Electric chaffing dish.
Mr. and Mrs. Hannibal: Cake basket.
Mr. and Mrs. Dunbar: Cloisonne smokers set.
Mr. and Mrs. Nelson: Cheque.
Mrs. Moses: Pair of silver bottles.
Mr. and Mrs. Forbes: Marble statue.
Mrs. Hurley: Cushion cover.
Mrs. Oxberry: Cushion cover and dress hanger.
Mr. Walsh: Cut glass bowl.
Misses L. and G. Ellis: Cut glass bowl.
Mr. and Mrs. Gregory: Silver photo frame.
Capt. and Mrs. Bultitude: Chinese vase lamp.
Capt. and Mrs. Thomson: Pair of silver bottle stands.
Mr. and Mrs. Dunn and family: Chinese vase.
Mr. and Mrs. Carie: Cut glass vase.
Prof. and Mrs. Digby: Silver cruet set.
Mr. M. Hoare and Miss E. Dunbar: Embroidered tablecloth and napkins.
Mr. and Mrs. Almadu: Mother of pearl ash tray.
Mr. and Mrs. J. Gould: Cheque.
Mr. and Mrs. Berg: Silver and glass sugar bowl.
Mr. and Mrs. E. Abraham and Mr. P. Tester: Pair of silver brushes and comb.
Mr. and Mrs. S. Perry: Butter dish.
Mr. and Mrs. E. Grossman: Cocktail jug.
Mr. and Mrs. Marcel: Linen luncheon set.
Mr. H. Seth: Cake basket and jam jar.
Mr. and Mrs. E. M. Raymond: Cheque.
Mr. and Mrs. O. I. and Mr. David Ellis: Pickle stand.
Aunt Elize: Silver tea set and tray.
Mr. J. E. Joseph: Cheque.
Mr. and Mrs. Ho Leung: Cloisonne bowl.
Mr. and Mrs. Ho Wing: Coffee spoons.
Mr. W. T. Stanton: Pair of cut glass decanters.
Mr. Horace Loi: Pair of silver and enamel frames.
Mr. T. P. Tong: Silver cigarette case.
Mr. J. K. Shaw: Menu holders.
Mr. M. M. Watson: Hors d'oeuvres dish.
Mr. A. H. White: Pair of sauce boats.
Mr. H. R. Forsyth: Coffee spoons.
Mons. and Moe. Montargis: Fancy table lamp.
Mr. Stuart Smith and Mr. K. Stuart Smith: Pair of pictures.
Mr. C. B. Brooker: Inkstand.
The Fanling Hunt: Silver salver.
Mr. P. M. Hodgson: Sugar sifter.
Dr. C. H. Burton: Leather suit case.
Mr. and Mrs. Chan Tin-sien: Pair of silver vases.
Mr. T. N. Chau: Pair of silver ash trays.
Mr. T. C. T. Beck: Pair of cut glass fruit cups.
Mr. Ho Sai-wai: Silver cigarette box.
Mr. and Mrs. B. C. Randall: Tortoise shell toilet set.
Mr. P. C. Potts: Piano.
Mr. A. Limmatt: Pyrex dish and stand.
Mr. and Mrs. Shi Yu-mun: Asparagus dish.
Mr. and Mrs. Sorby: Cut glass vase.
Mr. and Mrs. Bowes Smith: Picture.
Mr. D. E. Clarke and Mr. J. D. Humphreys: Silver cruet sets.
Mr. G. G. Wood: Blackwood tea-pots.
Mr. W. Brackenridge: Cut glass decanter.
Mounted Infantry Co., H.K.V.D.C., and Major H. B. L. Dowling, Lt. H. C. Macnamara, Sgt. M. M. Watson, Opt. T. C. T. Beck, Lt. G. Davidson, Privates J. H. C. Higley, J. A. E. Kendraw, J. H. Davy, A. Braine-Harknell, A. E. McCartney, J. Durran, R. Grievie, G. W. Sewell: Silver salver and cocktail shaker and crystal glasses.
Mr. B. L. Saxon Winton: Silver and glass sugar bowl.
Mr. and Mrs. S. J. Jordan: Cut glass bowl.
Mr. and Mrs. Hall: Silver cruet set.
Mr. W. G. Bird: Cut glass liqueur decanters, glasses and tray.
Mr. and Mrs. R. H. Charles: Embroidered linen luncheon set.
Mr. and Miss Manuk: Hors d'oeuvres dish.
Mr. A. C. Little: Pair of silver and glass butter dishes.
Mr. L. Kelly: Cut glass vase.
Mr. and Mrs. Macgown: Japanese picture.
Mr. and Mrs. Johnson: Cut glass decanter.
Mr. and Mrs. Chapman: Electric toaster.
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RAMONA

OUTSTANDING PICTURE FOR QUEEN'S

BRILLIANT CAST

"Ramona," Dolores del Rio's first picture for United Artists arrives at the Queen's Theatre to-morrow and will be screened until Saturday according to a special advertisement in this issue. The story has been adapted from Helen Hunt Jackson's famous novel which vividly describes the many love affairs of a fiery-tempered young Indian maid. It is laid against the colourful background of California in the days of the Spanish Dons. The production has been given a lavish setting by its director Edmond Carew who also directed Miss del Rio in her memorable picture "Resurrection." The producer has not deviated from the original story and all the glorious romance, thrills, laughs and passions that entered the life of "Ramona" have been vividly and impressively caught by the camera. A new departure in film titles is among the many new features of the film. Hitherto titles have been white or gold against black, but black lettering against a white background is the method used in "Ramona." An exceptionally brilliant cast of players supports the star and includes Warner Baxter, Roland Drew, Vera Lewis and Carlos Amor.

"THE BETTER 'OLE"

FINAL SHOWINGS TO-DAY

Bruce Bairnsfather's famous comedy "The Better 'Ole" is being screened at the Queen's Theatre for the last time to-day. Syd Chaplin's impersonation of the lovable old British soldier has been generally accepted as the outstanding piece of comedy acting of the year. The picture itself has been acclaimed as the funniest comedy ever made by the famous comedian. It has been given a lavish production by the director Charles Reisner, former "kaz man" of Charlie Chaplin's comedies, who now emerges as one of the screen's foremost comedy producers.

"MAN POWER"

ADVENTURES OF EX-ARMY OFFICER

The chief attraction at the Star Theatre to-day and to-morrow is "Man Power," a Paramount picture with Richard Dix in the leading role. The story deals with the adventures of a former Tank Corps officer who is down on his luck, and who gets a job into which he puts his heart because the daughter of the president of the company is the girl he loves. In order to save the town in which he has settled down from the menace of a broken dam, Dix goes through a number of thrilling scenes before accomplishing his purpose in a great climax. Throughout the picture there is a strong vein of comedy and Richard Dix is ably supported by Mary Brian, who was his leading lady in "Knockout Kelly," which was shown at the Queen's Theatre a short time ago. Others in the cast include Phillip Strange, George Irving and Charles Clary.

Through the generosity of Mr. and Mrs. W. R. Wilson and Mrs. Roy Wilson, New Zealand's Girl Guides now possess a commodious home with ten acres of land near Auckland.

Mr. D. Ogilvie: Silver salad spoon and fork.
Mr. and Mrs. Gardner and Mr. J. Gardner: Embroidered tea cloth and serviettes.
Mr. Shrubsole: Cake basket.
Mr. and Mrs. Choa Po-sien: Pair of silver sweet dishes.
Mr. and Mrs. R. Pestonil: Asparagus dish.
Mr. L. Taz-fong: Silver tea spoons.
Mr. and Mrs. Cousins: Silver coffee spoons.
Mr. and Mrs. Ho Ki: Japanese lacquer box.
Mr. and Mrs. Darby: Pair of cut glass decanters.
Mr. and Mrs. Ross: Brocade cushion cover.
Mr. F. Angus: Tea cloth.
Mr. and Mrs. Priestley: Cut glass decanter.
Sonnott Freres Staff: Ivory chop sticks and rice bowls.
Mr. and Mrs. Taylor: Silver tea spoons.
H.K. Ladies' Hockey Club: 2 pairs of nut crackers.
Miss D. Tansel: Jam jar.
Mr. Mognaschi: Cut glass, cocktail glass and silver shaker.
Miss V. Jefford: Dressing jacket.
Wang Hing: Silver toast rack.
Misses C. and G. Smith: Silver sweet dish.
Mr. and Mrs. J. T. Bagnam: Cut glass bowl.
Dr. and Mrs. To and Dr. E. To: De Villaine Perfume Light.
Miss Cohen: Silver kettle and stand.
Mr. E. Sadek: Tea spoons.
Mr. and Mrs. W. Goldenberg: Tea cloth.
Capt. Liddell: Tea spoons and sugar tongs.
Mr. and Mrs. A. W. de Rosa: Tea spoons.
Amah: Tumbler holders.
A. Kwal: Chinese dishes.

WOMAN & CHEQUES

SERIES OF OFFENCES IN LONDON

DANGER TO COMMUNITY

Winifred Langton, giving an address at an hotel, in Cornam-street, Russell-square, was sentenced by Mr. Bingley at the Marylebone Police-court recently, to nine months' hard labour. She described herself as of independent means, and pleaded guilty to obtaining £2 10s. from a florist in Sidney-place, South Kensington, £5 from the manager of a chemist's shop in London-road, Southwark, and attempting to obtain £5 from the manager of a provision shop in Wigmore-street, W., by means of worthless cheques. She also confessed to eleven other cases of a similar character, and asked that they should be taken into account.

Detective Arney said the woman's method was to obtain a cheque at a bank just before closing time by giving the name of a customer and paying £2, and after the cheque had been filled in she induced a tradesman to cash it for her. She was eventually caught after a chase in the West-end, having bolted from a chemist's shop when she saw a constable watching her through the door.

Mr. Bingley: There are a lot of other cases, I understand. "Yes, a large number," replied the officer. "There are eleven outstanding, in addition to the three before the Court. Most of them are in London, but there are three at Manchester, and one is at Derby."

The magistrate observed that the woman had obtained by these worthless cheques £5 10s. at Upper Richmond-road, Sheen, £5 at Bishopsgate, £4 at Walworth-road, £5 at Salisbury, Stamford-hill, £6 at College-green, Swiss Cottage, £3 at Messrs. Boots, in Holloway, £3 10s. at Old Millgate, Manchester, £4 10s. at Deansgate, Manchester, and £4 10s. at St. Peter's-street, Derby, in addition to which she had stolen a £30 watch in Market-street, Manchester.

Detective Arney added that she had been twice bound over in London, and said she had obtained £80 or £90 by these frauds.

Mrs. Hobson, a retired Roman Catholic probation officer, made a written appeal to the magistrate on the woman's behalf and stated in court that the accused had been under the influence of "terrible people." All the cheques, she said, were written by others.

Detective Arney replied that one or two were in different handwriting, but the majority were in the prisoner's writing. The prisoner urged that she had not had all the money herself, but the magistrate, in passing sentence, said she was a danger to the community.

"OUTSIDE THE LAW"

A MAJOR'S EXTRAORDINARY CONDUCT

REFUSED TO STAND

Major Arthur Hillyard Cameron, aged 46, independent, was charged at Bow-street before Mr. Graham Campbell, with assaulting Mr. Louis Aspinall, aged 65, of Park-road, Blackpool.

On entering the dock Major Cameron sat down and the assistant jailer removed his hat.

The Magistrate.—Is there any reason why you should not stand up, until you have been given permission to sit down?

Major Cameron.—I prefer to sit down, if you don't mind.

The Magistrate.—I am the last person to keep people standing, but I do always expect them to wait until permission is given. Stand up!

The major stood up while the charge was read, and then sat down again. He refused to plead.

A Medical Report
"There is no law about it," he said. "I am outside the law. I am apart from the law. I don't plead."

Mr. Aspinall said that he was sitting in the lounge of the Royal Hotel, Woburn-place, W.C., with Major Raymond A. Puckle and other friends. He saw Major Cameron gesticulating, and, thinking that he was beckoning him, went across and said, "Can I do anything for you, sir?"

Major Cameron did not reply, and the witness bowed and returned to his seat.

A few minutes later, while he was listening to the orchestra, he was struck a tremendous blow on the head with the rim of a china ash tray. His head was badly cut, and five or six stitches were put in the wound.

The case was put back for further evidence.

When the case was resumed, Dr. W. Miller, Fairlie said, that Mr. Aspinall had a lacerated wound on the top of the skull.

The major was remanded for seven days in custody for a medical report.

IN OTHER PLACES

CHRONICLES FROM JAPAN TO JAVA

Mr. G. E. Clayton, M.C., M.C.S., has assumed duties as Assistant Treasurer, Kedah, vice Mr. F. E. Ivory who has left for England on leave.

Mr. D. S. Robertson is acting as manager of the Asiatic Petroleum Co., Penak, Ipoh, vice Mr. G. R. Adams, who went on home leave by the "Macedonia."

It is understood that Mr. A. W. Hamilton will succeed Mr. W. E. Speers as Commissioner of Police, Kedah, when the latter retires in January,—"Straits Echo."

Mr. J. R. Harrop, formerly Manager of Ayer Tawah Estate, who retired from Malaya some years ago and settled in Essex, has now gone to live in Jersey, Channel Islands.

The Poppy Day collection for Ipoh, including Tanjong Rambutan, Chenor and Julapang, was \$4,110. Last year's collection was \$3,111. The above does not include collections by the Chinese cinema and the Malay Opera Company—"Times of Malaya."

Referring to the oft-repeated statement that life is so artificial in Malaya, the Rev. Graham White, in the course of his sermon at the Church of St. John the Divine, Ipoh, asked what was real of life in Malaya. He answered the question by saying that its prosperity was real and its clean sport was real.

Mr. G. L. Perreau, foreman of the Mains Department of the Electric Light Department, Kuala Lumpur, has retired from the service on pension after having served 23 years. Prior to his joining the Malayan Department he served for seven years in the Bangkok Electrical Tramways and then in Penang, in charge of the motors of the "Pinang Gazette."

The Imperial Fruit Show, which was opened at Manchester by Prince Arthur of Connaught in midweek, and terminated on the 27th ult., is a great success, writes the London correspondent of the "Straits Times." Messrs. H. B. Ellerton and H. S. Banner, of Malaya House, and the new Director of Agriculture, Dr. Tennyson, have visited the exhibition and speak in high terms of the Malayan stand, where were exhibited the various grades of Singapore pineapple. There was a great rush, it is understood, for the booklet giving recipes of dishes in which tinned pineapple can be used.

An ex-Servicé fancy dress dance was held in the Town Hall, Taiping, recently. The Hall was tastefully decorated with numerous coloured lights and shades, which were most effective. An amateur band from Kuala Kangsar, with Mr. Sutherland at the piano, played exceptionally well and contributed greatly to the general gaiety and success of the evening. The prizes, which were given by Borneo Motors, Ltd., for the most original costumes were won by Mrs. Jacques as an "English Lady of 20 Years Ago" and by Mr. Roe, as "A Hun." The Poppy Day Fund will be augmented considerably by the subscriptions collected at the dance.

SHADOWS BEFORE

COMING EVENTS ANNOUNCED IN THE "MAIL"

To-day—Queen's Theatre: "The Better 'Ole."

To-day—World Theatre: "The Jazz Mad."

To-day—Star Theatre: "Man Power."

Dec. 5-8—Queen's Theatre: "Ramona."

Dec. 6-8—World Theatre: "Safety Last."

Dec. 6-8—Star Theatre: "Across The Pacific."

Dec. 9-10—Queen's Theatre: "Swim Girl Swim."

Dec. 9-10—World Theatre: "Brown of Harvard."

Dec. 9-10—Star Theatre: "Behind The Front."

Dec. 11-12—Queen's Theatre: "The King of Kings."

Dec. 11-12—World Theatre: "The Road to Romance."

Dec. 11-12—Star Theatre: "Rough House Rosie."

Dec. 13-15—Queen's Theatre: "Barbed Wire."

Dec. 13-15—World Theatre: "The Prince of Pilsen."

Dec. 13-15—Star Theatre: "The Escape."

Dec. 14, 15, 17, 18, 21, 22—Theatre Royal: The Hong Kong Philharmonic Society presents "Tom Jones," 9 p.m.

Dec. 14—H.K.V.D.C. Machine Gun Company Dance, City Hall.

Dec. 15—Theatre Royal: The Hong Kong Philharmonic Society presents "Tom Jones," 4.30 p.m.

Lammerts' Auctions

Dec. 6—At No. 5, Victoria Gardens, Kowloon household furniture, silver ware and curio and one upright grand piano by "Haake," 10.30 a.m.

Dec. 7—At Sales Room, Duddell-st. Toys etc., 10.30 a.m.

Sports

Dec. 4—Y.M.C.A. Hockey, 1st XI. v. K.O.S.B. II, 5 p.m.

Dec. 5—Fanling Hunt meet at Sheung Shui Police station, 2.30 p.m.

Dec. 5—Y.M.C.A. Basket Ball, 6.15 p.m.

Dec. 6—Y.M.C.A. Hockey, 2nd XI. v. Kai Tack R.A.F., 5 p.m.

Dec. 7—Y.M.C.A. Basket Ball, "C" v. "D", 6.15 p.m.

Dec. 9—Fanling Hunt meet at Lok Ma Chau cross roads, 10.30 a.m.

Dec. 12—Fanling Hunt meet at Kennels, 2.30 p.m.

Dec. 15—Fanling Hunt meet at Sheung Shui, 2.30 p.m.

Miscellaneous

Dec. 6—Y.M.C.A. Ladies' Night, 9 p.m.

Dec. 9—Drawing of a Pontiac Six 5-seater sedan motor car at the Society of St. Vincent de Paul's fete.

Dec. 11—Formal opening of the Peninsula Hotel, Kowloon, by H.E. the Hon. Mr. W. T. Southern, C.M.G. at 4.30 p.m. and reception at the Hotel from 4.30 to 6 p.m.

December 14—Hong Kong Automobile Association's annual dinner dance, at Peninsula Hotel, 8 p.m.

The Kuala Lumpur rivers rose quickly after heavy rain recently and the flood warning was sounded at 1.30 a.m. and again later.

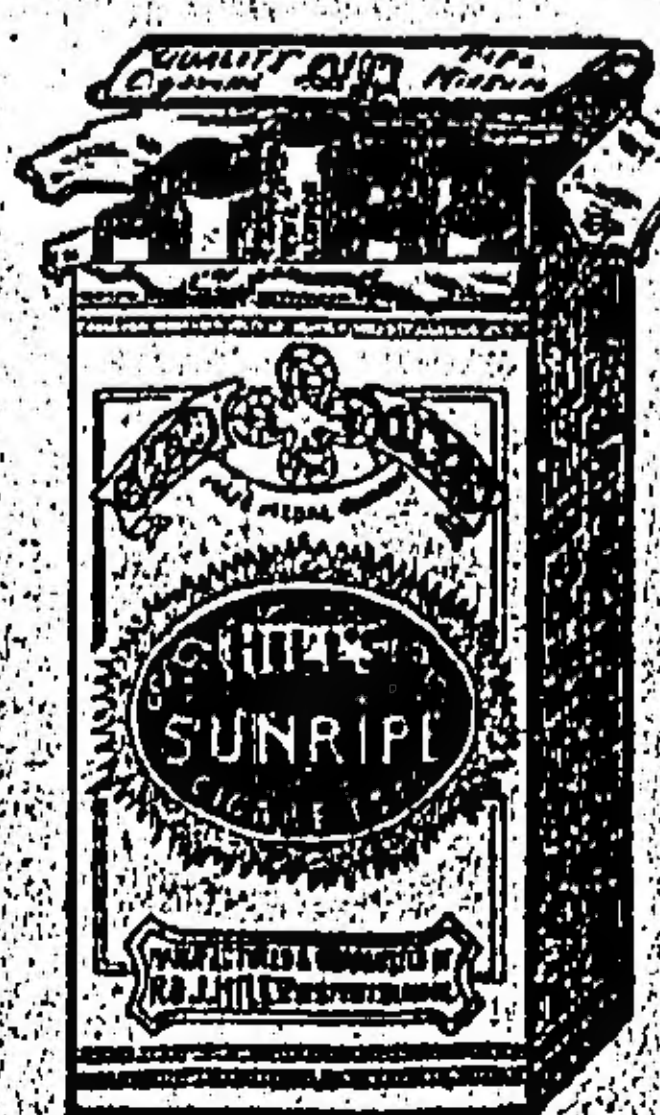
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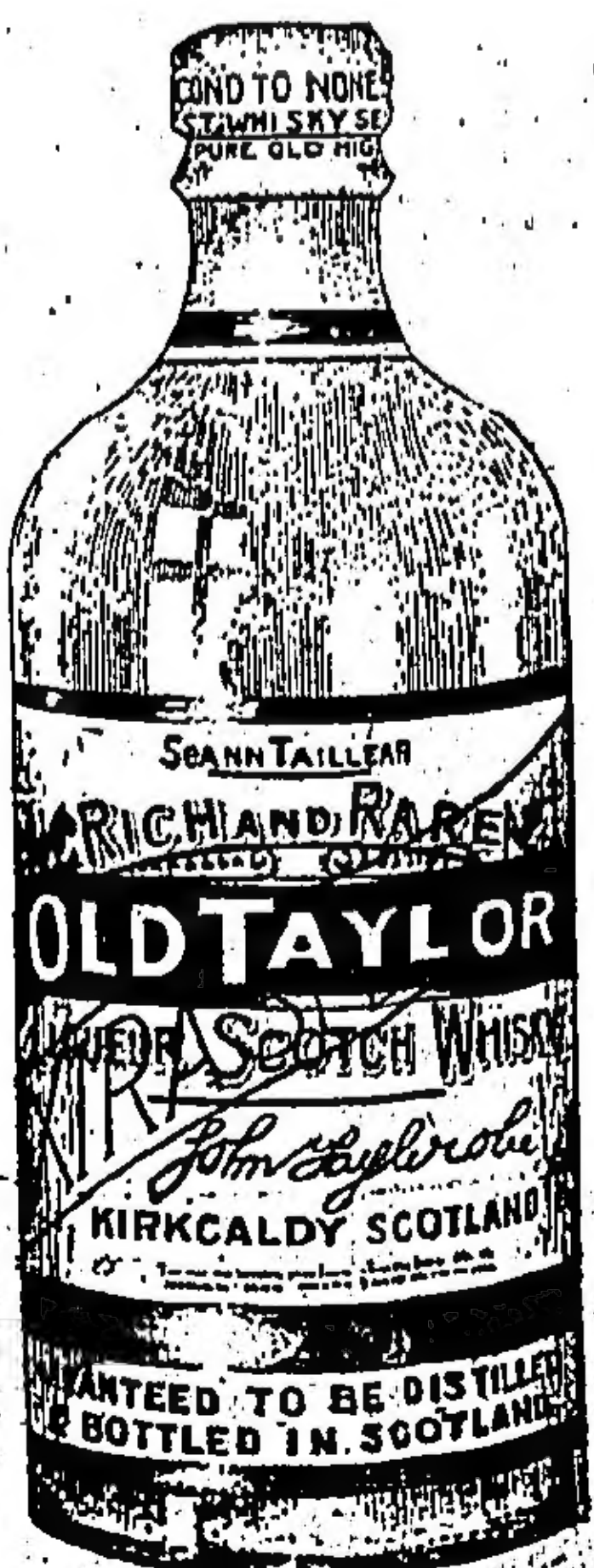
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Division I.				
	P. W. D. L.	F. A. Pts.	Goals.	
Wednesday	17 10 3 4	32 25 23		
Darby	17 10 2 5	39 24 22		
Blackburn	17 10 2 5	39 24 22		
Lancaster	17 9 4 4	35 25 22		
Aston Villa	16 9 2 5	39 30 20		
Leeds	16 9 2 5	37 35 20		
Burnley	16 8 3 7	40 47 19		
Sunderland	17 9 0 8	41 30 18		
Liverpool	17 7 4 6	36 27 18		
Manchester C.	17 7 4 6	36 27 18		
Newcastle	18 8 2 8	41 30 18		
West Ham	18 7 4 7	36 36 18		
Everton	17 8 1 8	26 26 17		
Huddersfield	17 6 3 8	36 28 18		
Birmingham	17 6 3 8	31 35 15		
Bolton	17 6 3 8	29 34 15		
Nottingham	16 6 0 6	25 29 14		
Portsmouth	17 7 0 10	22 37 14		
Arsenal	17 4 5 8	25 31 13		
Cardiff	17 6 6 8	22 22 12		
Sheffield U.	17 6 0 11	23 44 12		
Bury	16 5 1 10	16 37 11		

Division II.				
	P. W. D. L.	F. A. Pts.	Goals.	
Notts. City	17 10 4 3	35 17 24		
Hull	18 9 6 3	34 34 24		
Chelsea	17 8 6 3	26 18 23		
Preston M.C.	17 8 3 6	26 18 23		
Southampton	17 6 8 3	31 20 20		
Middlesbrough	17 8 4 5	37 31 20		
Stoke	17 7 5 5	28 15 19		
Grimsby	16 8 3 5	36 24 10		
Wolves	17 6 5 5	34 28 18		
Bradford	17 8 2 7	46 17 18		
Millwall	17 7 4 6	30 28 18		
Port Vale	17 8 1 8	32 32 17		
Tottenham	16 8 1 7	27 30 17		
West Brom.	17 6 3 8	23 34 16		
Barnsley	16 6 3 8	23 16 16		
Blackpool	17 6 2 9	24 27 16		
Swansea	17 5 4 8	26 38 14		
Notts. Forest	17 5 4 8	31 38 13		
Clapton	17 4 6 8	20 35 13		
Reading	17 5 2 10	21 43 12		
Bristol C.	17 3 4 10	25 38 10		
Oldham	17 3 2 12	13 39 8		

Division III (South).				
	P. W. D. L.	F. A. Pts.	Goals.	
Plymouth	17 10 4 3	35 18 24		
Luton	16 10 3 3	38 25 23		
Queen's P.R.	16 8 7 1	26 19 23		
Coventry	16 8 5 3	29 15 21		
Fulham	16 8 4 4	26 18 23		
Northampton	17 6 4 7	30 24 19		
Bournemouth	16 7 4 5	28 25 18		
Charlton	16 6 5 4	29 26 17		
Swindon	17 7 3 7	31 33 17		
Walsall	17 7 3 6	30 31 17		
Watford	16 8 1 7	25 29 17		
Southend	16 8 1 7	24 27 16		
Crystal Palace	16 7 2 7	23 32 16		
Torquay	16 7 1 8	30 31 16		
Bristol R.	16 6 2 8	24 27 14		
Brentford	16 4 4 8	16 23 12		
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Exeter	16 3 5 8	22 31 11		
Gillingham	16 4 3 9	17 27 11		
Merthyr	16 4 3 9	18 36 11		
Norwich	16 4 1 11	16 30 9		

Division III (North).				
	P. W. D. L.	F. A. Pts.	Goals.	
Bradford C.	16 10 2 4	57 22 22		
Stockport	16 9 4 3	54 25 22		
Wrexham	16 8 6 2	38 31 23		
Wigan	16 9 3 4	25 14 21		
Lincoln	17 8 5 4	36 30 21		
Doncaster	16 8 4 4	32 23 20		
Carlisle	17 7 6 4	39 30 20		
Sth. Shields	16 7 4 4	35 22 18		
Tranmere	16 8 1 7	33 31 17		
Halifax	16 4 9 3	22 21 17		
New Brighton	16 7 1 7	34 32 16		
Chesterfield	16 6 3 6	31 32 16		
Nelson	17 7 1 9	32 41 16		
Rotherham	16 6 3 7	22 31 15		
Rochdale	16 4 6 6	30 30 14		
Barlington	17 4 4 9	27 30 15		
Crewe	16 4 4 7	22 34 15		
Barrow	16 3 5 8	23 36 11		
Accrington	16 4 3 8	21 35 11		
Hartlepool	16 3 5 8	19 38 11		
Ashington	17 5 1 11	24 47 11		
Southport	16 4 2 10	26 41 10		

Scottish League.

	P. W. D. L.	F. A. Pts.	Goals.
Rangers	16 14 1 0	54 15 20	
Hearts	17 10 4 3	52 24 24	
Northampton	17 10 4 3	41 28 24	
Aberdeen	18 10 3 5	39 30 23	
St. Mirren	17 9 4 4	40 34 22	
Celtic	15 8 5 2	31 19 21	
Kilmarnock	18 8 3 7	43 36 13	
Hibernians	16 7 4 5	30 24 16	
St. Johnstone	17 6 4 7	22 35 16	
Partick	15 6 4 5	41 46 16	
Third Lanark	17 5 4 8	34 41 14	
Clyde	17 6 2 9	18 28 14	
Hamilton	17 6 2 9	18 28 14	
Falkirk	17 5 3 9	34 48 13	
Queen's Park	16 4 8 4	40 40 12	
Dundee	17 4 4 9	33 33 11	
Airdrie	17 4 3 10	19 32 11	
Cowdenbeath	17 4 2 11	24 37 10	
Raith R.	13 4 1 13	22 51 9	

LOCAL GOLF

CAPTAIN'S CUP—I. W. SHEWAN QUALIFIES

There were thirty-seven entries for the Captain's Cup qualifying competition over the week-end, the best card being returned by I. W. Shewan, 74 (scratch), who therefore qualifies.

Other scores: R. K. Hepburn 85—10=75; J. L. Shellhear 85—9=76; P. Tod 95—18=77; N. K. Littlejohn 91—13=78; T. G. Bennett 86—8=78.

The Optional Pool was cancelled.

Kowloon Championship

The following are the results of the second round of the Kowloon Golf Club Championship played over the week-end:

W. Taylor beat H. Overy, J. McKnight beat A. W. Roberts, J. D. Thomson beat A. A. Lopes and F. E. Remedios beat A. W. da Rosa.

The semi-final matches are between Taylor and McKnight and Thomson and Remedios.

OUR RAINFALL

The record of the rainfall, during November at the Botanic Gardens, is as follows:—

Date 1928	inch
November 1	1
" 2	2
" 3	3
" 4	4
" 5	5
" 6	6
" 7	7
" 8	8
" 9	9
" 10	10
" 11	11
" 12	12
" 13	13
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" 20	20
" 21	21
" 22	22
" 23	23
" 24	24
" 25	25
" 26	26
" 27	27
" 28	28
" 29	29
" 30	30
Total	94 ins.

BOMBERS!

EIGHT MEN ARRESTED IN MELBOURNE

PROTESTS AGAINST BAIL

Melbourne, Yesterday.
Eight men have been arrested in connection with a bomb explosion in a Greek club in which fifteen were injured.

The men were released on bail despite strong protests by the police.

Two of the arrested were in a motor car, and carrying a bomb, the fuse of which was burning ready for throwing.—Reuter.

HIS ONE CHANCE

MASTER BUILDER WHO DIED AFTER AN OPERATION

"He had just one chance. We knew we were taking a big risk," said Dr. Gled, at a Friern Barnet inquest on George Edward Downes, aged 77, retired master builder, of Melrose-avenue, Cricklewood, who died in a nursing home at Finchley.

Mr. Downes was removed for an immediate operation. His breathing under the anesthetic was bad, and the operation had to be curtailed.

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A verdict of Death from Misadventure was returned.

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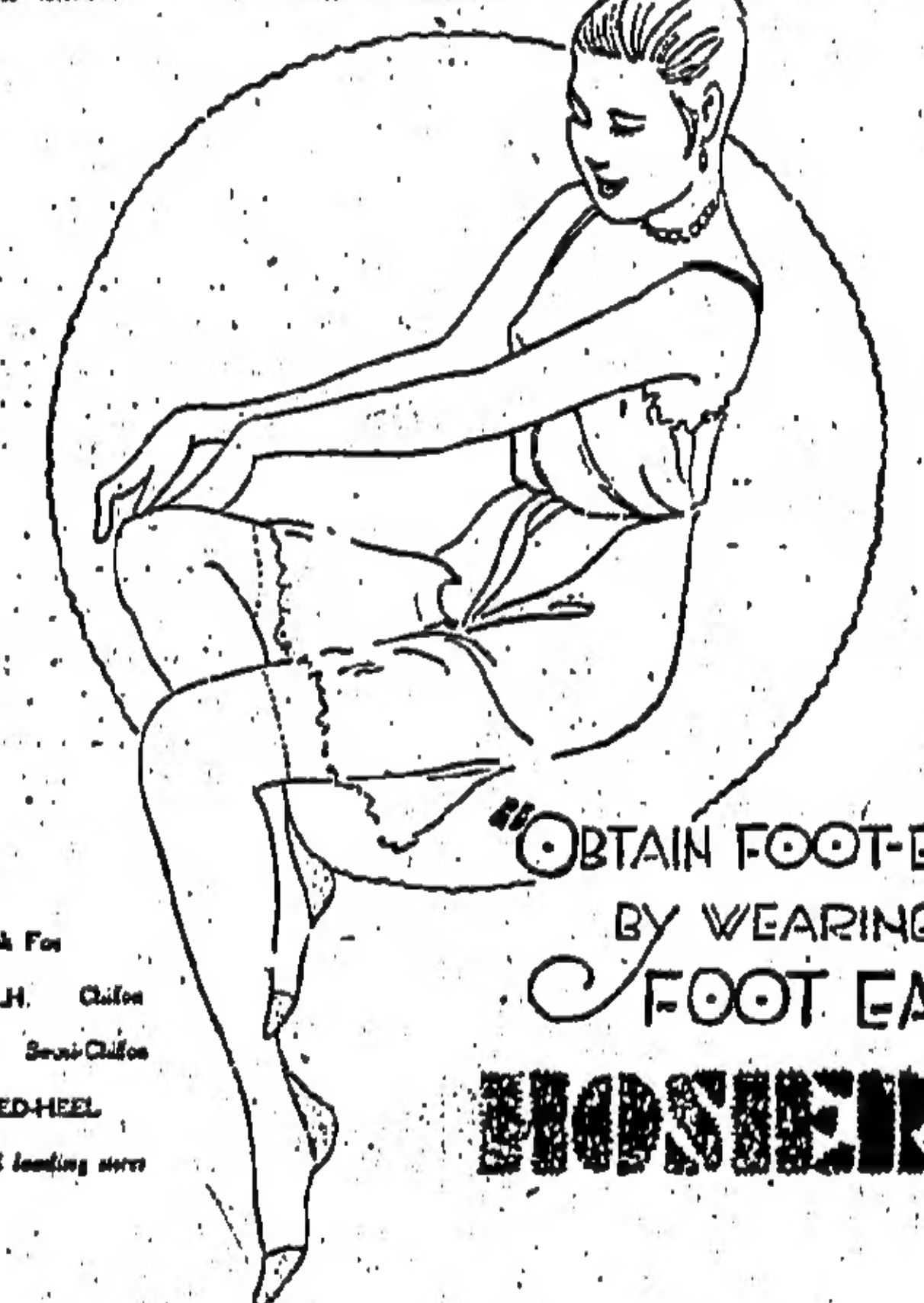
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502 RUNS ON

ENGLAND'S LEAD IN THE FIRST TEST

AUSTRALIA'S CASUALTIES

When stumps were drawn yesterday in the First Test Match at Brisbane, the third day, owing to rain falling, England were 502 runs on with eight wickets in hand. Australia has had hard luck. In this respect the pendulum has swung evenly since the War. When Warwick Armstrong won in England, the Home players were dogged by misfortune. Then Gilligan's men became casualties in Australia. Collins' side was adversely affected in England last year when the Old Country regained the Ashes. And now it is Australia's turn to be the sufferer in her own sphere.

But to return to yesterday's play. The remaining six Australian wickets—or, rather, five because one man was prevented from batting—fell for an additional 78 runs, the innings closing for 122, leaving England 389 runs to the good on the last innings.

The Casualties

In the time remaining for play, the visitors put on another 103 runs for the loss of two valuable wickets. The match was resumed in an atmosphere of depression, says Reuter, following Saturday's disasters for Australia.

The attendance was only 10,000, as against the 32,000 on Saturday afternoon and the 20,000 on the opening day.

The weather was still hot and the wicket continued to play fast.

Australia's opening bowlers in England's 1st innings, J. M. Gregory and C. Kelleway (both of New South Wales), were incapacitated. Gregory, the fast bowler, broke down owing to knee trouble (with which he has been afflicted before) and will take no further part in the match. Accordingly, he did not bat. Kelleway, who had been bowled by Larwood on Saturday, was in bed with pyrexia poisoning.

Ex-Coll's Confidence

Hendry (14) and Ryder (4), the overnight not outs, resumed batting. Australia's score being 44 for 4, the last wicket having fallen at 40 runs.

Hendry added 16 to his score, out of 27 gathered in the morning, and was then given out leg-before-wicket to Larwood. His 5th wicket partnership with Ryder (the captain), therefore, realised 31 runs altogether—the highest partnership of the innings.

D. Bradman of New South Wales, playing in his maiden Test, then went in to partner his skipper. For the 6th wicket, between them, they were responsible for 30 runs, bringing the total to just past the century—101 to be precise. Of this 30, the newcomer made 18, shaping confidently and stylishly, his innings including four fours! He was also a victim to the leg-before-rule, the bowler being Tate.

Ryder's Pluck

Ryder was still sticking in. He was joined by Oldfield, the wicket-keeper, who only contributed two runs before meeting a fate similar to Bradman's. The total was then 105 runs for seven wickets. Grimmett and Ryder put on 11 runs for the 8th wicket, the latter succumbing to a catch by Jardine off Larwood. The total was then 116. Ryder batted pluckily for his 33, top score for his side, and hit three fours. He was in 4th wicket down and 8th out, helping to raise the total from 40 to 116 (i.e., he made 33 out of 76).

Ironmonger, also new to Test cricket against England, was last man in. Six runs were added, making the total 122, and he was bowled by Larwood, with four of the six to his credit.

Grimmett was seven not out. Two extras were conceded.

The innings lasted, in all, 2 hours and 26 minutes.

No Follow-On

The bowling analyses speak sufficiently of the havoc wrought by Larwood and the able assistance given by Tate who sent down more overs. It will be seen that either White or Hammond had a turn with the ball.

Instead of enforcing the follow-on, Chapman decided to bat again. There may have been several reasons. One, possibly, is the fast wicket which may cut up later on. However, speculation is futile. But time is of no consequence in a non-stop match.

Hobbs and Sutcliffe again opened for England. The former disappointed his admirers by joining the formidable list of l.b.w. victims of the match, being dismissed by Grimmett. One wicket down for 25 runs (Hobbs 11 and Sutcliffe 14 not out).

Mead & Hammond

Mead, the left-hander, then partnered Sutcliffe. Their association realised 44 runs. Sutcliffe was caught by one of the two substitutes, off Ironmonger's bowling. When together with Mead, he knocked up 18, making his score 32. At one stage, presumably the tea interval, he had 23 and Mead 20, which means that the latter scored more rapidly. However, two wickets had fallen for 69 runs.

Hammond joined Mead and they took the total to three figures, adding 34 without being separated, of which number Hammond was responsible for 19. Mead's total had reached 40. One extra had been conceded. Then rain fell. Scores to date are appended. Reports of to-day's play, if sent in time by Reuter, will be found on the front page.

England—1st innings

J. B. Hobbs, run out	49
H. Sutcliffe, c. Ponsford, b. Gregory	38
C. P. Mead, l.b.w., b. Grimmett	3
W. R. Hammond, c. Woodfull, b. Gregory	44
D. R. Jardine, c. Woodfull, b. Ironmonger	35
E. Hendren, c. Ponsford, b. Ironmonger	169
A. P. F. Chapman (captain), c. Kelleway, b. Gregory	50
M. W. Tate, c. Ryder, b. Grimmett	26
H. Larwood, l.b.w., b. Hendry	70
J. C. White, l.b.w., b. Grimmett	14
G. Duckworth, not out	5
Extras	13

Total

Fall of wickets: 1 for 85 runs (Sutcliffe), 2 for 92 runs (Hobbs), 3 for 108 runs (Mead), 4 for 161 runs (Hammond), 5 for 217 runs (Jardine), 6 for 291 runs (Chapman), 7 for 319 runs (Tate), 8 for 443 runs (Larwood), 9 for 495 runs (White), 10 for 521 runs (Hendren).	521
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BOWLING ANALYSIS.

	Runs	Wickets
Gregory	142	3
Grimmett	167	3
Ironmonger	79	2
Hendry	?	1

Australia—1st innings

W. M. Woodfull, c. Chapman, b. Larwood	0
W. H. Ponsford, b. Larwood	2
A. F. Kippax, c. b. Tate	16
H. L. Hendry, l.b.w., b. Larwood	3
C. Kelleway, b. Larwood	8
J. S. Ryder (captain), c. Jardine, b. Larwood	33
D. Bradman, l.b.w., b. Tate	18
W. A. Oldfield, l.b.w., b. Tate	2
C. V. Grimmett, not out	7
H. Ironmonger, b. Larwood	4
Extras	2

Total

J. M. Gregory absent, hurt.	
Fall of wickets: 1 for 0 run (Woodfull), 2 for 7 runs (Ponsford), 3 for 24 runs (Kippax), 4 for 40 runs (Kelleway), 5 for 71 runs (Hendry), 6 for 101 runs (Bradman), 7 for 105 runs (Oldfield), 8 for 116 runs (Ryder), 9 for 122 runs (Ironmonger).	122

BOWLING ANALYSIS.

	O.	M.	R.	W.
Larwood	14.4	4	32	6
Tate	21	6	50	3

England—2nd innings	
J. B. Hobbs, l.b.w., b. Grimmett	11
H. Sutcliffe, c. sub., b. Ironmonger	32
C. P. Mead, not out	40
W. R. Hammond, not out	19
Extra	1

Total (for 2 wickets) ... 103

Fall of wickets: 1 for 25 runs (Hobbs), 2 for 69 runs (Sutcliffe).

YACHTING

YESTERDAY'S LADIES' SAILING EVENTS

Yesterday the second Ladies' Championship event in connection with the Royal Hong Kong Yacht Club, was sailed over the following course:—

Channel Rocks (P), Kowloon Rock (P), Mark on Line (P), and Channel Rocks (S); distance 7.4 miles.

The result was:—

Handicap Class

[Start at 3 p.m.]

Yacht	Finishing	Corrected
Diana	4:16.51	4:15.37
Colleen	4:16.25	4:10.29
Rolla	4:16.49	4:16.49
La Linda	4:14.13	4:10.31
Dorothea	4:16.27	4:11.31

L.Y. and G. Classes

[Start at 3:05 p.m.]

Yacht	Finishing	Corrected
Daphne	4:31.06	4:31.06
Ailsa	4:36.25	4:36.25
Pierrette	4:34.32	4:31.27
Joan	4:35.09	4:29.36
Wing Wonder	4:25.32	4:24.1
Wings	4:30.08	4:27.40
Bluenose	4:37.11	4:34.43
Boojum	4:29.51	4:27.23
Speedwell	4:29.41	4:27.13
Zephyr	4:37.12	4:31.39
Loia	4:36.21	4:28.39

HOCKEY

Y.M.C.A. v. K.O.S.B.

TO-DAY

The following will represent the Y.M.C.A. 1st XI. v. the K.O.S.B. II. at King's Park to-day, at 5 p.m.:—
D. Harvey; A. York, A. C. Jeffreys; A. J. May, F. W. Allen, E. O. Murphy; F. Mann, V. Petherick, F. R. Ashton, R. Murray, T. J. Price.
Reserves: W. H. Smith, Y. M. Hast.

Yesterday's Game

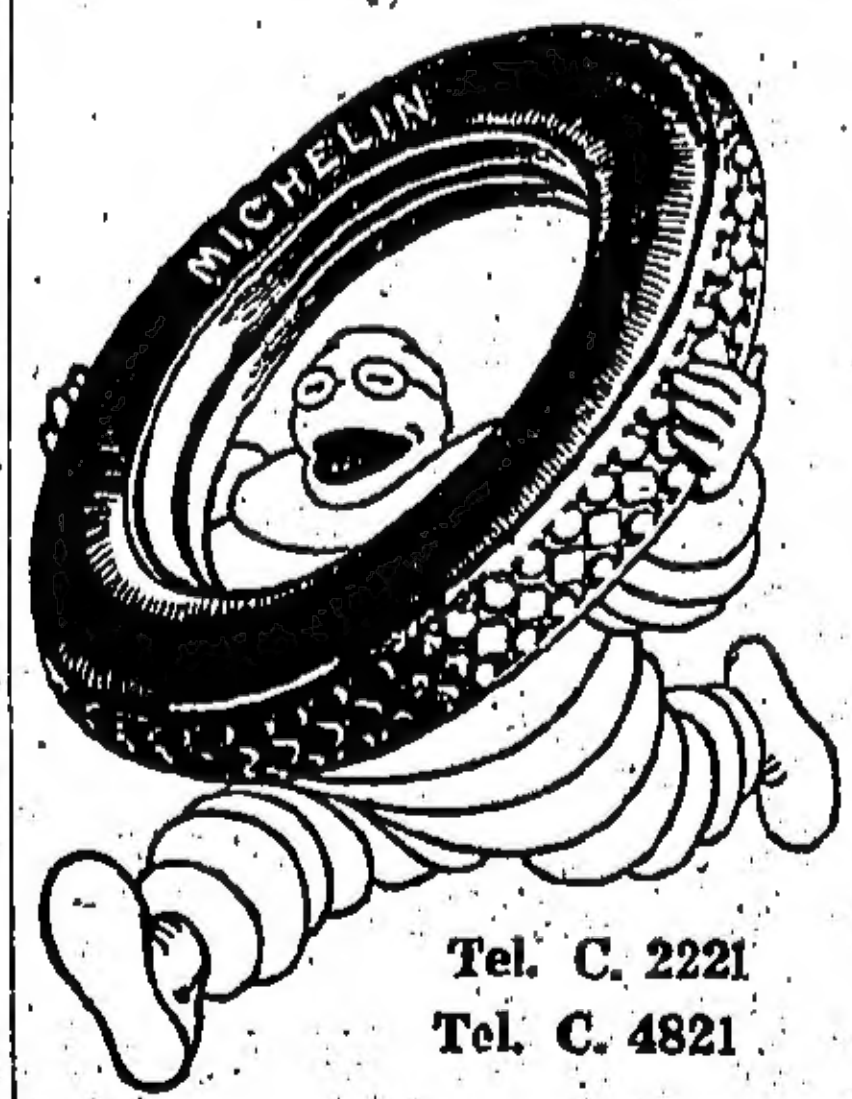
The Club de Recreio beat the Hong Kong Hockey Club by one goal to nil at King's Park yesterday.

"Reas." in Macao

A hockey team from the Club de Recreio visited Macao on Sunday and played a fast and interesting match against the Macao Hockey Club. The score in the first half was 1-1. The second half was hotly contested and goals came regularly. Macao scored four times against Hong Kong's three and ran out winners by the odd goal in nine.

SNOOKER

The match between F. Jones and K. K. Leung in the third round of the Palace Hotel snooker championship, last evening was won by Jones who scored 187 (69, 38, 82) to Leung's 112 (48, 28, 38).



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On Singapore—

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On Manila—

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Copenhagen	18.19
Oslo	18.19
Vienna	34.49 1/2
Prague	163 1/2
Helsingfors	192 1/2
Madrid	30.04 1/2
Lisbon	108 1/2
Athens	37 1/2
Bucharest	807 1/2
Rio	5 29/32
Buenos Aires	47 7/16
Bombay	1/8 1/32
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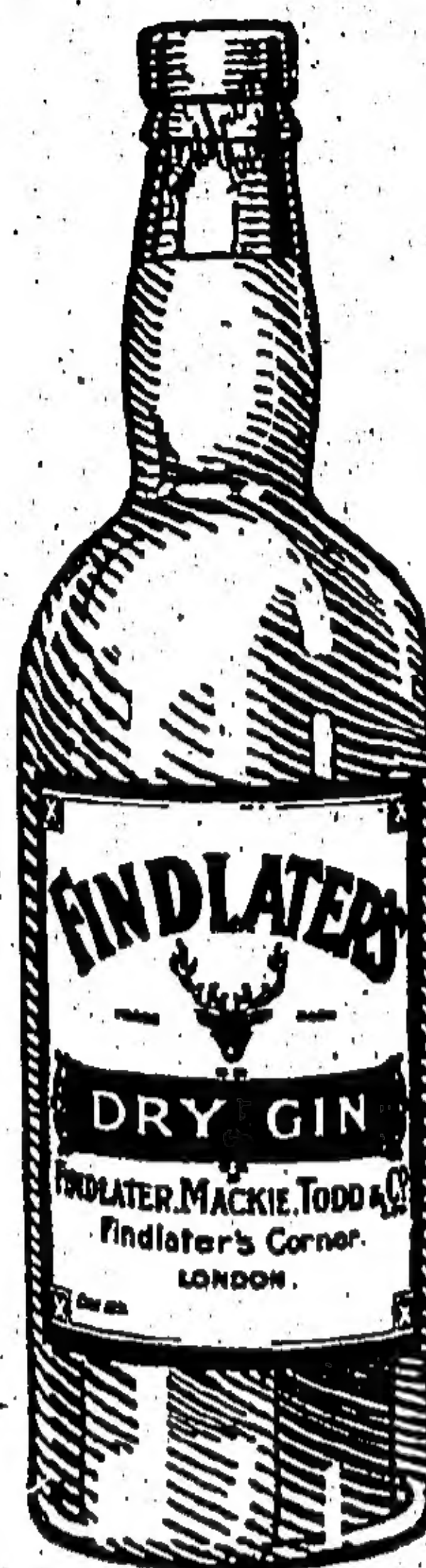
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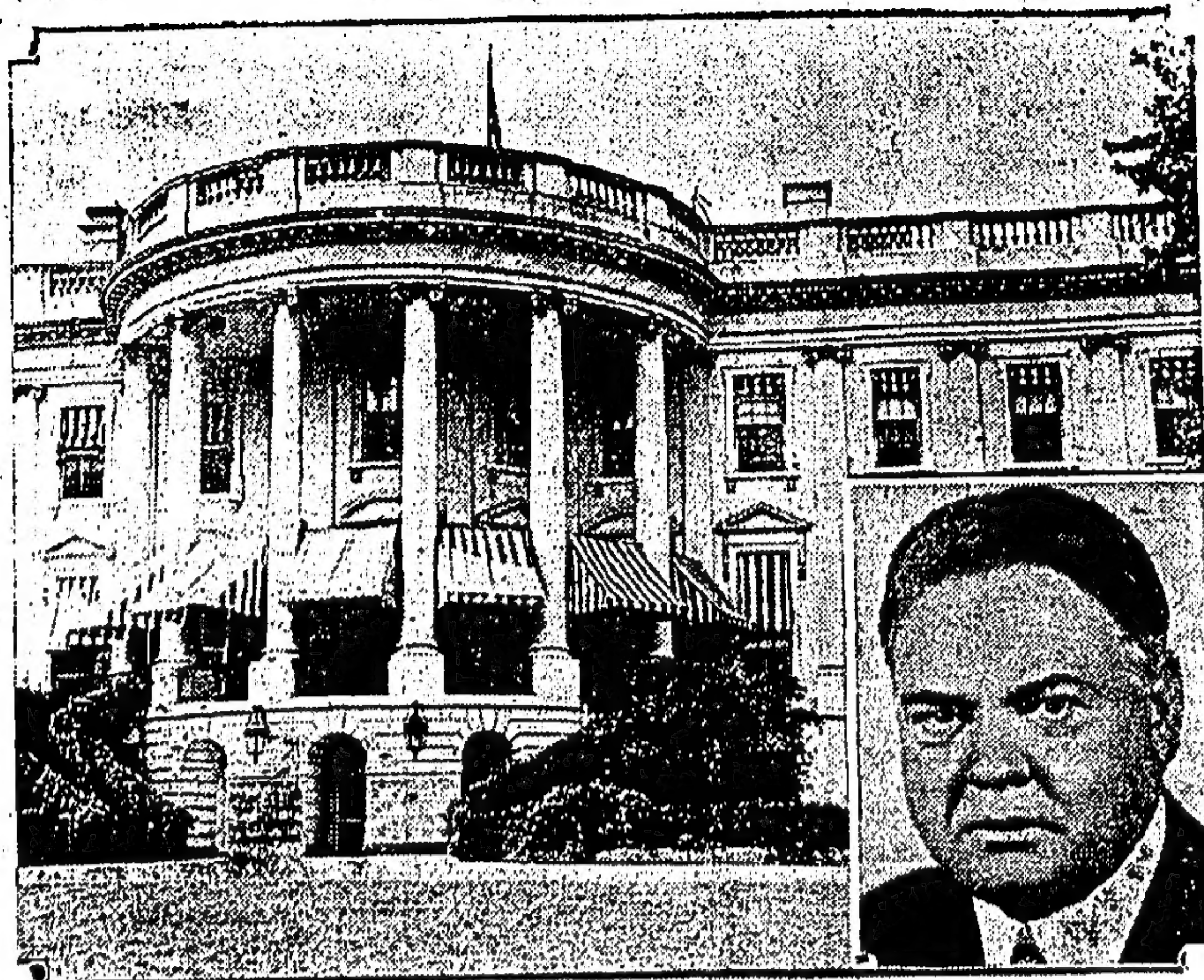
WORLD NEWS IN PICTURES.

"Red" Major-General!



Major-General Sonia Sakhnovskaya, executive officer of the Soviet Russian Army, who has been decorated with the Red Order for bravery during a rebellion of mutinous troops.

Mr. Hoover's House Next Year



The White House at Washington, official residence of the President of the United States, where Mr. Herbert Hoover (inset) will go next March.

To Wed Rich Briton



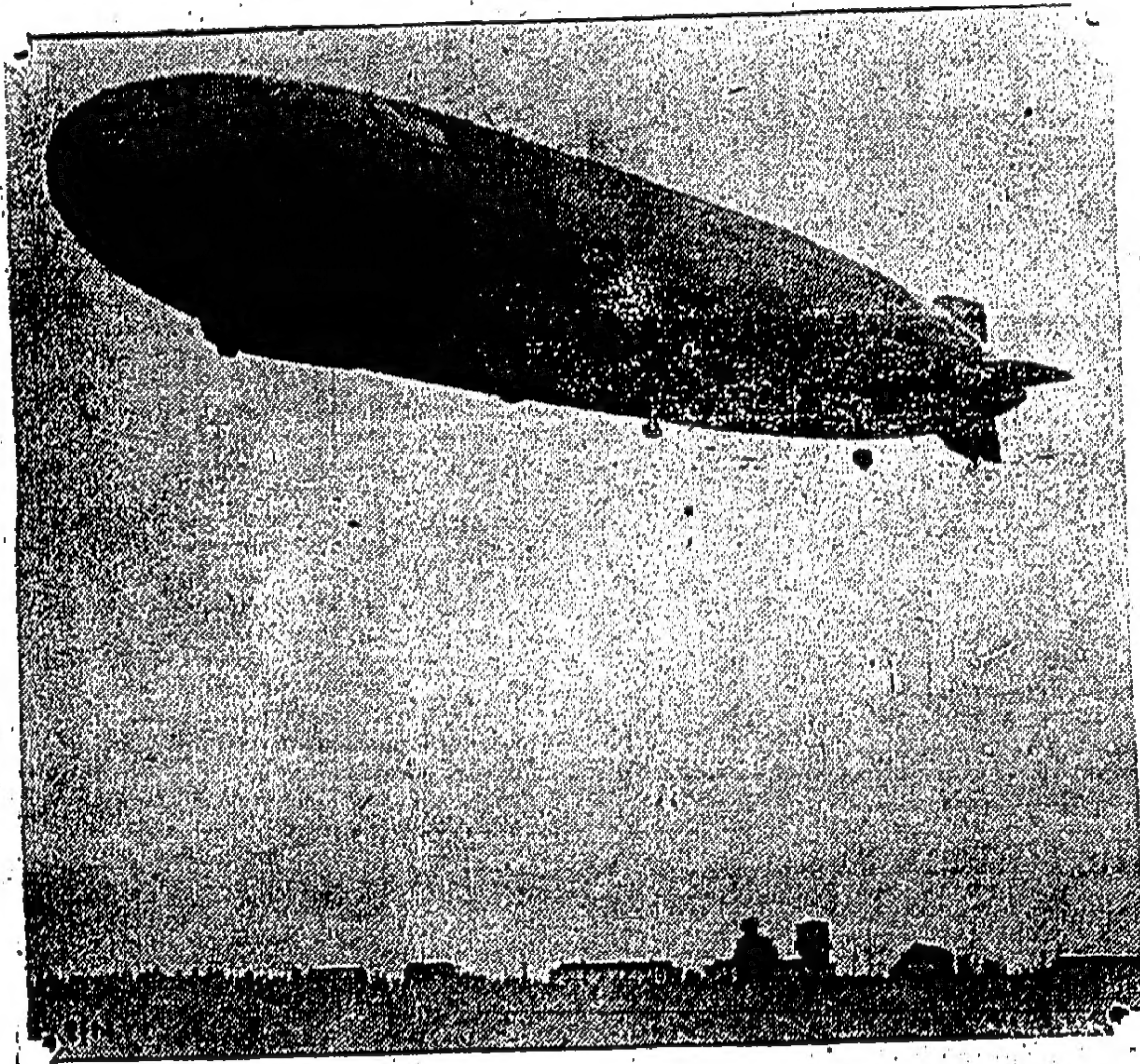
A new and hitherto unpublished portrait of beautiful Miss Betty McCormick (23), an American model and salesgirl, who is soon to marry Mr. John Robert Lawson-Johnston, the British multi-millionaire. Her engagement has been confirmed by her mother and sister.

Diplomat's Wife



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Local Favourite



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Royal Romance?



Princess Martha of Sweden, and Crown Prince Oiaf of Norway, whose betrothal was expected to be announced by their respective Royal houses. The Princess Martha is the elder sister of Princess Astrid, wife of Crown Prince Leopold of Belgium.

The "First Lady"



The "social entrance" of the White House at Washington, with Mrs. Hoover (inset) who will preside next year as the "first lady" of the U.S.A.

Drugged & Robbed



Mme. Marie Rappold, former leading soprano of the Metropolitan Opera Co., was robbed of gems worth \$175,000 by bandits who entered her hotel suite in New York and administered chloroform to her and her 19-year-old daughter, Lillian, while they slept. The intruders overboard a matched pearl necklace worth \$425,000.

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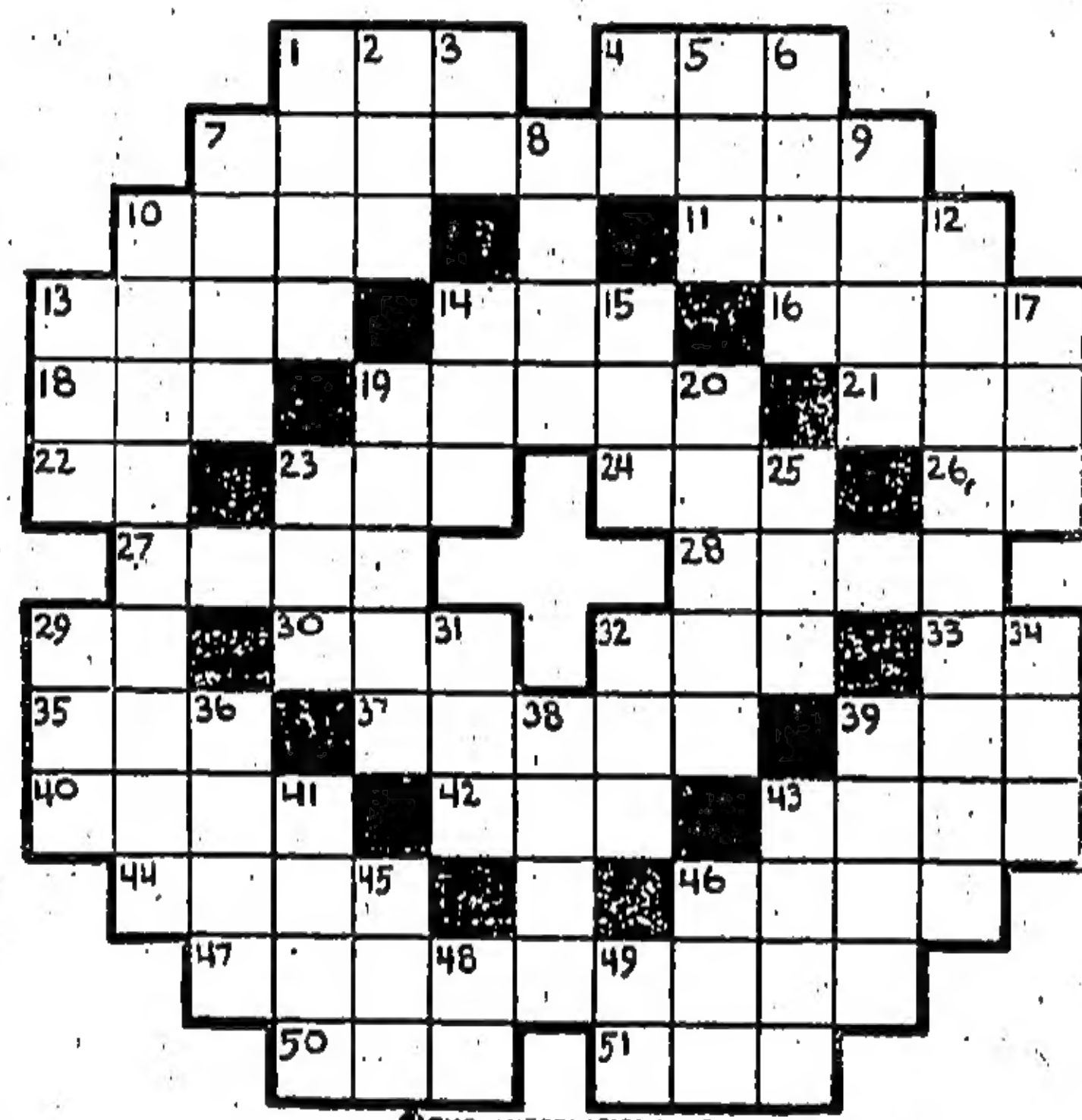
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DAILY CROSS-WORD PUZZLE.

(This cross-word puzzle has been made by an expert but our readers are warned to look out for occasional phonetic spellings, such as harbor, plow, and altho.)



HORIZONTAL

- 1—Pronoun
- 4—Female saint (abbr.)
- 7—Photo-engraving from which impressions can be taken by a printing press
- 10—Endeavor
- 11—Wander
- 13—Close tightly
- 14—Curb
- 18—Interjection. Begone
- 13—A deed
- 19—Decompose
- 21—Pronoun
- 22—Treasurer (abbr.)
- 23—Aged (Latin abbr.)
- 24—Batter
- 26—Long island (abbr.)
- 27—Obtain
- 28—Precious stones
- 29—Near
- 30—Suffix for forming superlative degree of adjectives
- 32—Wooden pin
- 33—A disease (abbr.)
- 35—Torn place of cloth

HORIZONTAL (Cont.)

- 37—A large sea-duck of the north
- 38—Twelve dozen (abbr.)
- 40—A Persian coin
- 42—To seize and hold firmly in any manner
- 43—Tumult
- 44—Period of time
- 45—Damage
- 47—A person of exceptional bravery
- 50—The fifth sign of Zodiac
- 51—Famous American general

VERTICAL (Cont.)

- 9—Every
- 10—A writing desk
- 12—A famous wharf-boat off the N. W. coast of Norway
- 13—Rested
- 14—Wager
- 15—A sailor
- 17—Prefix. Three
- 19—Obtuse
- 20—Same as Jaeger
- 23—Land measure
- 24—Metric system
- 25—Queen of fairies
- 29—A scow
- 31—End
- 32—Small enclosure
- 34—A kind of fly
- 36—A Scottish Highlander
- 38—To be concise
- 39—Encircled
- 41—Part of the hand
- 43—Choice
- 45—A small deer of Europe
- 46—Have (Scott.)
- 48—Negative
- 49—The (Spanish)

(The solution of the above cross-word puzzle will appear in to-morrow's issue along with a new cross-word puzzle.)

HER HOBBY

YOUNG WOMAN B.S.C. ON TRAINING ALSATIANS

As many women as men brought their dogs to the Crystal Palace to compete in the working trials of the Alsatian League and Club of Great Britain.

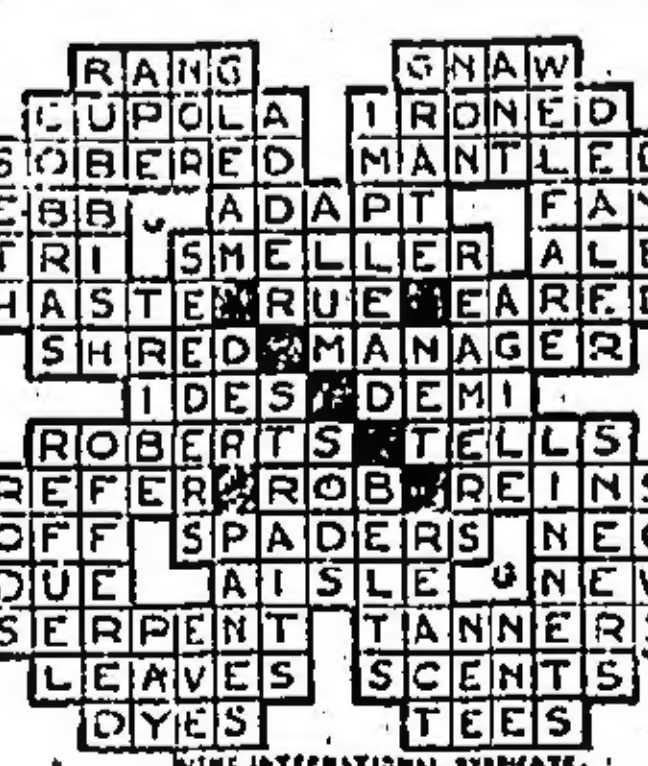
One of the youngest competitors, Miss J. Workman, of Hayling Island, a B.Sc. of London University, who had three dogs taking part, told an interviewer that training Alsatis was her hobby.

"I have about twenty altogether," she said, "and I show a great deal as well as train. I think women can handle the dogs as well as men, although, of course, the size of the dog makes a man's strength a great advantage."

"Everything must be done by kindness. I do not believe in giving a dog a bribe after he has accomplished something successfully. A pat or a few words of praise is all that should be necessary. After a time the dogs really like their work—as mine do."

Another competitor was Mr. T. J. Whitwell, a London policeman, who is regarded as one of the best Alsatian trainers in the country.

YESTERDAY'S SOLUTION.



THE INTERNATIONAL SYNDICATE

NOISES THAT ANNOY

[BY ULTIMAX IN "WEEKLY TELEGRAPH"]

One of the faults that occur at times, especially when we are listening on the short waves, is a peculiar hissing noise in the 'phones whenever the tuning condenser is rotated. Once the station had been tuned in satisfactorily, and the dial is stationary, the noise would stop, so that actually it did not impair reception, but the act of tuning was rather disagreeable to the sensitive ear. After a little time spent in investigation, the cause of the trouble was found to be the thin metal pig-tail strip connecting the rotor spindle with the metal end plate, of the condenser. When the dial was rotated the metal strip rubbed against the end plate and caused quite an appreciable noise when down below on the short waves. On the broadcast band and upwards there was no sound, so this shows how careful we must be with variable condensers when we listen in on the lower waves. A cure was effected by removing the clock spring strip and substituting a short length of flexible rubber-covered wire.

In the case of another receiver, we had the same fault, but the variable condenser in this particular instance had no pig-tail connection. The spindle ended in a cone bearing, making contact with a conical recess in the end plate. Dismantling the condenser revealed the fact that the machining was very bad, and further examination under the microscope showed a large number of irregular ridges on the surface of the metal, which caused the noise on the short waves. The only alternative was to substitute another condenser.

Apart from the short waves, there occurs at times a peculiar hissing noise in the loud-speaker which persists whether the receiver be tuned to any particular station or not. A reader, who does us the honour to read this column, informed us this was particularly noticeable when the accumulator was switched over to the set from the trickle charger. He added the important information that the noise gradually stopped after an hour or so. This would obviously point to the fact that the accumulator when switched over was "gassing." If an examination

of the plates is made, small bubbles will be seen to be rising from the plates to the surface of the electrolyte, and for complete silence, the battery when fully charged should be given time to settle down before actual connection to the set.

Other Causes

If we are using 4 or 6-volt batteries, noise may develop through corrosion making its appearance between the terminal faces and the metal connecting strips. These should be removed and the hard crystalline substance adhering to the surface cleaned with a knife and finally polished with emery paper. Before replacing the lead connecting strips, the ends should be thinly smeared with vasoline. A little attention of this nature will generally be found to give absolutely silent working. Incidentally we are glad to notice in one of the small Exide accumulators we recently purchased, both terminal faces were coated with vasoline.

Short Wave Howls

A Seaham reader who has made up the short wave unit states he is troubled with "howls and hand capacity" when coupling up his receiver. We asked for information regarding the type of valve used and details of the set. In reply a letter informs us that two Cossor valves and a Marconi power valve are used with a Ferranti transformer in the first stage, and an Erlsson in the last stage. We are sorry to point out that the valve details do not help, for the reason that the first named firm market at least 24 different types, and to be of any assistance the exact type, such as 210 H.F., should be given. As it happens the information in this case is not very important, for the fact that our good friend is using two L.F. transformers immediately gives the clue to his trouble. In the article describing the construction of the Short Wave Unit ("Weekly Telegraph," March 24, 1928) we were careful to point out that it is a very difficult matter to prevent threshold howling on the short waves with two L.F. transformers in circuit, and as a beginning, the plug should be placed in the first L.F. valve holder, at the same time being careful to switch off the detector valve, as it is not required.

Two transformer stages can be used, and the first thing necessary is to connect a resistance of about 5 megohms across the secondary of the first transformer, and a variable resistance of this value across the secondary of the other transformer. If adjustment of the variable resistance does not entirely eradicate the howl, it may be advisable to try lower impedance valves, given a smaller step-up in

amplification. It cannot be denied that the use of two transformers on the short waves is a critical matter and only suitable for the expert to play about with, and for this reason in the majority of constructional designs giving two stages of amplification, a resistance of not more than 100,000 ohms in the anode circuit is followed by a stage of transformer coupled amplification.

Short Wave H.F. Amplification
We have been experimenting with a stage of H.F. utilising the new screen grid valve in front of the usual detector, but found it quite impossible to control the oscillation unless both the H.F. and detector stages were entirely screened. Less screening was possible when the H.F. valve was neutralised, but the whole lay-out was very critical, and a grid wire had to be run through an earthed tube before complete stability was achieved.

A much simpler arrangement was found in the circuit. This type of circuit is being used very largely in America at the moment, and while it does not give very much in the way of H.F. amplification, it is a definite improvement over the ordinary detector with reaction and it has the virtue of not allowing any oscillation to be sent out via the aerial.

"PRECAUTIONS PREVENT MISFORTUNES"

SAY THE CHINESE.
How They Apply This Proverb In Their Own Homes.

The Chinese are a practical people and it is because they believe in the truth of their proverb "Precautions prevent Misfortunes" that so many of them always keep Baby's Own Tablets handy in the house for the preservation of the health of their children. Here is what Dr. Ling Shao-pao, a medical practitioner, residing at Shwangling, Chekiang Province, says on the subject.

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Lord Nelson at Halifax Opened



Above, the Lord Nelson viewed as from the Botanical Gardens. Inset is a very charming corner of the lounge, showing the bust of Lord Nelson in the corner. Mr. E. W. Beatty was the guest of honor on the formal opening.

E. W. Beatty, chairman and president of the Canadian Pacific Railway, in speaking as guest of honor at the banquet which marked the official opening of the Lord Nelson Hotel at Halifax, referred to the tourist attractions of Nova Scotia as being second to none on the continent. This from a well travelled man as the head of the World's Greatest Travel System was a decided appreciation. "In addition to the opportunities for sport which are unsurpassed and attract tourists from both the United States and Canada, you have the historic associations such as typified by the Evangeline legend which the Canadian Pacific and Dominion Atlantic Companies have successfully preserved and featured. It seems to us only right that the railway which came into existence as a fulfillment of one of the terms of Confederation should encourage such travel to your cities and other historic places," he said. "That travel has grown space during the last few years and it was because of this fact among others that at the dedication of your business men we joined with them in the building of this hotel. It is for the same reason that we are building a modern hotel with other tourist facilities at Digby."

The Lord Nelson Hotel, while operated under the direction of the Canadian Pacific Railway is the result of a sincere effort on the part of the people of Halifax who have long been working for a modern hotel, which would adequately take care of the business, which offered in the city. It is situated in the heart of the city and fronting on the Botanical Gardens that have helped to make this old city famous.

Within and without, the appearance of the hotel reflects great credit on its architects and builders. In building and in decoration it is Georgian in character, and throughout the hotel and particularly in the public rooms, a most successful effort has been made to express the period recalled by the historic name associated with it. Immediately inside the front door is a handsome and spacious lobby, which at once gives the keynote of Georgian decoration. The hotel offices are here as also are

other public services such as elevator lobby, telephone room, cigar shop, etc. The mezzanine floor and ladies waiting room leads up from this, and on one side of the lobby is a short flight of steps leading up to the assembly lounge. In this room and in the adjacent assembly hall the attempt to recapture the atmosphere of two hundred years ago has been particularly successful. The chief feature is the fine fireplace over which is an excellent copy in oils of the full length portrait of Lord Nelson which was painted shortly before his death. In one corner stands a fine copy of the well known bust of this hero, and on the center table is a splendid model of his ship "The Victory."

The rest of this room opens into the assembly hall which is large enough to seat about 250 people comfortably. At one end is an ample stage with the usual dressing rooms and disappearing footlights. Leading from the other side of the lobby up a short flight of marble steps is a foyer, and beyond that the main dining room. On the floor beneath the lobby are a series of fine shops opening on the street, and here also is the spacious grill, which in keeping with the nautical flavour notable elsewhere in the building, is termed "The Ward Room."

Its woodwork is of oak and its ceiling, crossed by heavy beams. It is lit by alpine lanterns of brass and by gasoliers designed from classical light and shade. The furniture also is of solid oak. Other features of this floor are a barber shop, beauty shop and the usual public services.

The bedroom floors include a number of fine suites of which the Royal Suite is an outstanding example. Like the other its character of decoration is in keeping with the rest of the hotel. It consists of sitting room, dining room and two bedrooms, and its furnishings include some fine examples of early Georgian. The bathrooms and general plumbing and heating arrangements, throughout are up to the most modern standard as also are all the facilities for public service.

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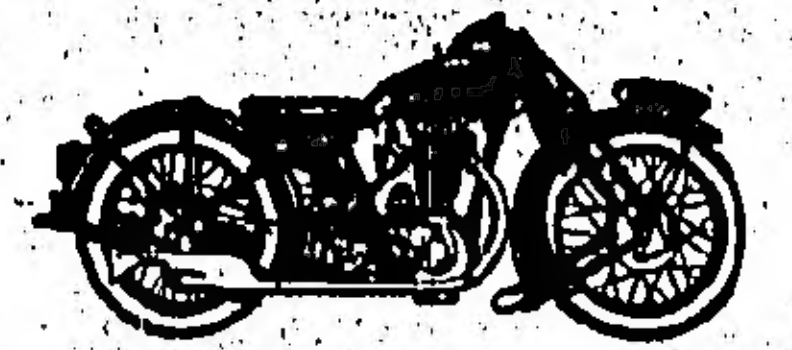


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WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 5.		
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Japan	Jeyore	
Japan	Madras Maru	
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THURSDAY, DECEMBER 6.		
Straits	Telemachus	
Swatow	Cremer	
Canada, U.S.A., Japan and Shanghai	Empress of Russia	
Europe via Suez (Letters & papers, London, 8th Nov. and parcels, 1st Nov.)	Mantua	
FRIDAY, DECEMBER 7.		
Japan and Shanghai	Malwa	
U.S.A., Canada, Japan and Shanghai	President Madison	
Australia and Manila	Changte	
Japan	Wakasa Maru	
THURSDAY, DECEMBER 20.		
Canada, U.S.A., Japan and Shanghai	Empress of Asia	

OUTWARD MAILS.

For	Per	
TUESDAY, DECEMBER 4.		
Samshui and Wuchow	Chung On	4 p.m.
Manila	President Cleveland	4.30 p.m.
Saigon	Prominent	4.30 p.m.
Straits	Nanking	5 p.m.
Manila	Malayan Prince	5 p.m.
Swatow	Hopsang	5 p.m.
WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 5.		
Holhow, Pakhoi and Haiphong	Kiukiang	10.30 a.m.
Swatow	Davken	10.30 a.m.
Shanghai and Europe via Siberia	Porthos	1.30 p.m.
Manila and Java via Sourabaya	Tjitaroom	2.30 p.m.
Australia (except Thursday Island and Cairns) and New Zealand via Brisbane—due Brisbane, Dec. 23. Registration (Dec. 5) 5 p.m. Letters (Dec. 6) 8.30 a.m.		
THURSDAY, DECEMBER 6.		
Holhow and Haiphong	Madras Maru	8.30 a.m.
Holhow	Mensdo Maru	10.30 a.m.
Straits	Kingyuan	10.30 a.m.
Swatow	Cremer	2.30 p.m.
Holhow and Haiphong	Hydrangea	2.30 p.m.
FRIDAY, DECEMBER 7.		
Shanghai, Japan and Europe via Siberia	New Mathilde	5 p.m.
Straits and Calcutta. Parcels Noon. Letters 1 p.m.		
Swatow, Amoy and Focchow		
Straits, Ceylon, India, Mauritius, E. & S. Africa, Aden Egypt and Europe via Marseilles—due Marseilles, 4th Jan., 1929. K.P.O. Parcels (Dec. 7) 4.30 p.m. Registration (Dec. 8) 9 a.m. Letters (Dec. 8) 10 a.m. G.P.O. Parcels (Dec. 7) 5 p.m. Registration (Dec. 8) 9.45 a.m. Letters (Dec. 8) 10.30 a.m.		
SATURDAY, DECEMBER 8.		
Straits, Mombasa, L. Marques and		

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AMERICA AND THE BRITTEN AFFAIR

MORE COMMENT

WHAT BRITISH FOREIGN OFFICE "SHOULD NOT HAVE ALLOWED"

MR. KELLOGG'S POSITION

Washington, Yesterday. The British Embassy has announced that Mr. Baldwin sent his reply to Mr. Britten direct in consonance with the wishes of the State Department, which apparently did not favour the use of diplomatic channels.

New York, Yesterday. The Britten incident still holds the front page of the American papers, which comment generally on the unfavourable example.

The "Evening Post" declares that the British Foreign Office blundered in permitting Mr. Baldwin seriously to reply to Mr. Britten's "ridiculous and unconstitutional proposal" or of letting Sir Esme Howard to call on Mr. Kellogg thereon, thereby placing Mr. Kellogg in a necessary but undignified position, in having to refuse to receive it.—Reuter's American Service.

OPIMUM RAMP

NANKING TO INVESTIGATE SEIZURE

RIVAL INTERESTS CLASH

Shanghai, Yesterday.

The dispute which originated in connection with 20,000 ounces of opium shipped from Hankow on the China Merchants s.s. "Kiang-an" to Shanghai, is assuming first class political importance, following the suspension of Tai Shek-fo, Chief of Police of Greater Shanghai, by order of Marshal Chiang Kai-shek. It appears that Tai Shek-fo was informed at 1.20 a.m. on Nov. 23 that 20 soldiers were landing a quantity of opium on the Nantao bund, into a motor lorry and two motor-cars, alleged to be the property of the Garrison Commissioner, Hsiung Shi-huei.

Tai Shek-fo sent a party of police to investigate, and if necessary to seize the opium, but the military arrested the police and carried off the opium to the native city. Incidentally, the military censor prohibited the vernacular papers from printing the news of this incident.

Main Interest

One outcome of the case has been the detention of the s.s. "Kiang-an" on her arrival at Nanking yesterday morning, Captain Steward, and the chief engineer, Mr. Ross, being sent to the British Consulate, while the Chinese crew of 23 have been detained by the Nanking District Court.

The suspension of Tai Shek-fo has resulted in strong protests from the local Kuomintang and other organizations, who have wired to Marshal Chiang Kai-shek that his orders are open to criticism unless Hsiung Shi-huei be also suspended, pending an investigation of the whole affair.

The main Chinese interest, however, centres in the fact that it is reported Tai Shek-fo acted under the orders of General Feng Yuxiang, while Hsiung Shi-huei is a protégé of Chiang Kai-shek.—Reuter.

"LINDY"

FLIGHTS WITH PRETTY PASSENGERS

Once again attempts are being made to link Colonel Lindbergh's name with matrimonial intentions.

The aviator has set tongues wagging by taking two girls for a flight in his aeroplane at the Teterboro aerodrome. Recently, when "Lindy" took two women aloft from Long Island Field, it was carefully explained that one was the mother and the other the wife of one of the Guggenheims, his sponsors.

But the latest pair were nobody's wives or mothers. They were just young, pretty, vivacious girls. And one resembled Elizabeth Morrow, daughter of the American Ambassador to Mexico, who was recently reported to be engaged to Lindbergh.

The engagement report was denied, but has served to make Americans even more determined to marry off their hero.

A SEAPLANE DISASTER

14 DROWNED

UNLUCKY PASSENGERS DEPLO-RABLE FATE

A TERRIBLE CRASH

Rio de Janeiro, Yesterday. A seaplane, carrying 14 passengers, flew out to meet the incoming liner, on which was the pioneer flier, Santos Dumont, travelling in a seaplane: crashed and all the passengers were drowned.—Reuter's American Service.

POLICE RESERVE

C. S. P. ISSUES NEW ORDERS

THE TRAINING SCHOOL

The following orders have been issued by the Hon. Mr. E. D. C. Wolfe, C.M.G., Captain Superintendent of Police.

Police Training School. Classes for Police Reservists will be held as usual on Tuesday, Dec. 4 and 11 at 6 p.m.

On the same dates at 5.30 p.m. sharp, instruction will be given in the handling and aiming of revolver. Squad Drill, etc.

All recruits of the Chinese and Indian Companies and of the Fly-

STILL "FINE"

The local weather forecast till noon to-morrow is:—"Fresh N. E. winds, fine."

At 10.50 a.m. to-day the Observatory reported:—

The depression has deepened considerably and passed to the N. E. of Japan. The anti-cyclone over China has strengthened slightly. Fresh to strong monsoon may be expected along the S.E. coast of China and over the North China Sea.

ing Squad will attend at Central for Squad Drill, etc. on Thursday, Dec. 6 at 5.30 p.m. under Sergeant P. Condon. Dress—Muff.

Chinese Co. The Signalling Squad will attend at the Company's Headquarters for instruction in Morse and semaphore under Mr. R. C. Wilson on Friday, Dec. 7 at 6 p.m. and Monday, Dec. 10 at 6 p.m.

Indian Co. Parade. All ranks of the Indian Company, are reminded of the parade to be held at the Central Police Station on Tuesday, Dec. 4 at 5.30 p.m. sharp.

Flying Squad The weekly instructional patrol of the Kowloon Section will take place on Tuesday, Dec. 4. Fall in at the Tai-ma-tai Fire Brigade Station at 5.30 p.m. sharp. Dress—Winter Uniform.

The weekly instructional patrol of the Hong Kong Section will take place on Thursday, Dec. 6. Fall in at the Central Police Station at 5.15 p.m. sharp. Dress—Winter Uniform.

Sharpshooters' Co. Revolver Practice. Members are reminded that revolver practice will be carried out at Kennedy-road Range on Sunday, Dec. 9 at 10 a.m. they will assemble at the range at that hour with revolvers and belts. Equipment etc.

The attention of members of the Chinese Company and of other units are drawn to G.O. No. 68 dated Nov. 5, and instructions contained therein must be adhered to.

(Sgd.) D. L. KING, D.S.P. (R), Adjutant.

Hong Kong, Dec. 4, 1928.

SHANGHAI STRIKE

Shanghai, Yesterday. Thirteen hundred tram and bus employees in the French Concession struck this morning demanding wage increases.

The stoppage is expected also to affect the water supply and electric supply, which are under the same management as the tramways.—Reuter.

TO-DAY'S DOLLAR

The closing rate of the dollar on demand, to-day was 2/0 5/16.

ARMED ROBBERY AND STREET SHOOTING

TILL FORCED

FUGITIVE FIRES AT SHOP FOKIS

NO ARREST EFFECTED

Shortly after 10 o'clock last night, an armed robbery was carried out by two Chinese in a sundry goods store at No. 155, Wuhu-street, Hung-hom.

They held up the inmates with revolvers, and while one man kept guard over the three shop fokes, the other forced open the till and helped himself to money totalling \$60.

The robbers then left hurriedly, without waiting to attempt to open a big safe in the shop. They ran in a westerly direction heading for the railway bridge in Tsimsatsui.

Two of the shop foks gave chase but were stopped by one of the fugitives who fired his revolver at them. Luckily, no one was hit.

The robbers made good their escape, and although the police immediately investigated the affair, no arrest has so far been effected.

STRANGE WILL

"QUEEN VICTORIA'S DESCENDANTS"

COURT PROCEEDINGS

The Court of Appeal, London, recently heard an appeal which raised the question of the validity of a clause in the \$45,000 will of Mr. William James Villar, of Taunton, who died in 1926.

The clause created a trust of the residuary estate to continue until 20 years after the death of the last survivor of the lineal descendants of Queen Victoria living at the time of Mr. Villar's death.

Mr. Justice Astbury, in the Chancery Division, held that the trust was not invalid.

There sons and a daughter of Mr. Villar contended, through their counsel, Sir T. Hughes, K.C., that the decision was wrong and that the proviso in the will was void.

About 120 Living

Sir Thomas Hughes said that in 1922 the living descendants of Queen Victoria numbered about 120. They were scattered over a large part of the world.

The will restriction would have the effect of postponing the distribution of the estate for about 100 years. It would probably be impossible then to prove that all Queen Victoria's descendants were dead. The cost of proving it would be enormous.

Lord Justice Lawrence.—It would be easy to ascertain who are descendants of Queen Victoria living to-day.

Sir Thomas Hughes.—There would have to be all sorts of inquiries into foreign laws and whether marriages had been morganatic.

The Master of the Rolls said that he thought it would be easier than 100 years ago when registrations were imperfect.

Sir Thomas Hughes said that persons of Royal origin were not of the same conspicuous position to-day as they used to be and their identity might be lost.

The Court dismissed the appeal.

In giving judgment, the Master of the Rolls said that the testator had imposed a period of restriction which, inconvenient though it might be, did not offend against any canon of law.

HIS LAST VERDICT

REFEREE SAYS IT WAS A PERFECT ACCIDENT

"It was a perfect accident," said Abel Tullitt (46), of West Houghton, before he died at East Grinstead from injuries received in a collision between his motor-cycle and a motor-cycle combination.

Death was due to internal injuries, and at the inquest a verdict of "Accidental Death" was recorded. The driver of the other vehicle was "exonerated" from blame.

Tullitt was well known in the East-Grinstead district as a football referee.

THE HILARIOUS STORY OF "OLD BILL" AND HIS PALS AMID THE BILLETTS AND BULLETS OF WAR!



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